

Life Sciences

The unique group of scientists and faculty involved with Life Sciences at Queen's share a common goal: to lessen the impact of disease and trauma by training the next generation of health care scientists and professionals. One of the largest Bachelor of Science degree programs at Queen's, Life Sciences is in high demand by students who wish to pursue careers in biomedical research and health care.

TOP 5 REASONS To Study LIFE SCIENCES

- 1 Preparation for a career in health care or biomedical research.
- 2 Cutting-edge research in drug development and human toxicology, cancer biology, genetics, reproduction, microbiology, experimental medicine, and neuroscience.
- 3 Our internship program (QUIP) offers a range of careers to explore and companies to learn from.
- 4 Summer research (SWEP) assistant positions with professors.
- 5 Home to the Cancer Research Institute, the Centre for Neuroscience Studies, and the Cardiac, Circulation, and Respiratory Group.

Alumni Story

"The Life Sciences major program offered a supportive community where I could explore various areas of science to discover where my passion was. The application-based courses provided several unique opportunities to apply course content to real life scenarios!"

-Meaghan Frank, Life Sciences

TOP ALUMNI JOBS

5% of alumni work in GOVERNMENT

9% of alumni work in PHARMACEUTICALS

27% of alumni work in EDUCATION & RESEARCH

33% of alumni work in HEALTH CARE

add a CERTIFICATE

Data Analytics

Disability and Physical Activity

Employment Relations

Geographic Information Science

Indigenous Languages and Cultures

Sexual and Gender Diversity

Urban Planning Studies

[QUartsci.com/certs](https://quartsci.com/certs)

2025-26 Plan Thresholds

Thresholds are made on a competitive basis and are updated annually. To see the thresholds for all programs as well as the latest information, please visit quartsci.com/planselection.

Interested in finding out how to augment your degree with Experiential Learning? Check in with your department to learn more about what opportunities and resources are available for you!

Acquire Skills. Gain Experience. Go Global.

That is a degree from Queen's.

healthsci.queensu.ca/liscbchm

Life Sciences MAJOR MAP

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE: HONOURS DEGREE (SPECIALIZATION/MAJOR/MINOR) OR GENERAL DEGREE



How to use this map

Use the 5 rows of the map to explore possibilities and plan for success in the five overlapping areas of career and academics. The map just offers suggestions – you don't have to do it all! To make your own custom map, use the [My Major Map](#) tool.

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Get started thinking about the future now – where do you want to go after your degree? Having tentative goals (like careers or grad school) while working through your degree can help with short-term decisions about courses and experiences, but also help you keep motivated for success.

Get the help you need

Queen's provides you with a broad range of support services from your first point of contact with the university through to graduation. At Queen's, you are never alone. We have many offices dedicated to helping you learn, think and do.

Ranging from help with academics and careers, to physical, emotional, or spiritual resources – our welcoming living and learning environment offers the programs and services you need to be successful, both academically and personally. Queen's wants you to succeed! Check out the [Student Affairs website](#) for available resources.

QUIP

QUEEN'S UNDERGRADUATE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

START DATES
in May, September,
or January

POSITIONS
are paid and
full-time

WORK TERMS
are 12-16 months
long

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- Graduate with "Professional Internship" on your degree
- Learn about current advances, practices and technologies in business and industry
- Explore a career path, earn a salary, and build workplace skills

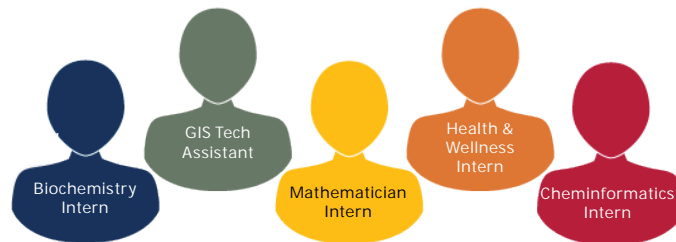
ELIGIBILITY

- Complete 1st year before you register
- Complete 2nd or 3rd year before your internship
- Minimum GPA of 1.9
- Return to Queen's after your internship to finish your degree

WHY QUIP?

- Gain a year of career-related work experience
- Build network connections
- Receive support from Queen's staff in job search and during internship

SAMPLE PAST INTERNSHIPS



For more information, contact quip@queensu.ca or visit the [Program Website](#).

Why study in Kingston?

Since 1841, our community has been more than a collection of bright minds – Queen's has attracted students with an ambitious spirit. Queen's has the highest retention rates, the highest graduation rates, and one of the highest employment rates among recent graduates. We are a research intensive university focused on the undergraduate experience. The BBC has identified Kingston as one of the GREATEST UNIVERSITY TOWNS in the world – and it is often awarded the safest city in Canada. It is a university city at the core; just a quick drive to Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and even New York. A university with more clubs per capita than any other university in Canada, and a city with more restaurants per capita than any other city in North America – you will have the experience of a lifetime at Queen's – and graduate with a degree that is globally recognized among the best.

We're closer than you think.



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