

Indigenous Knowledges and Perspectives (IK&P)

The Major in IK&P is an interdisciplinary degree that draws together a range of course offerings on Indigenous histories, cultures, experiences, languages, and ways of knowing from across Arts and Science. The program gives Indigenous and non-Indigenous students an opportunity to immerse themselves in Indigenous ways of knowing and being in the world to ensure that future leaders and policymakers have a grounded understanding of the lived realities of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Peoples. Students expand their knowledge and understanding of Indigenous cultures, while developing professional skills, such as innovative Indigenous approaches to learning and research, to work with Indigenous communities.

TOP 5 Reasons to Study IK&P

- 1 Become knowledgeable on the lived histories of Indigenous peoples in Canada and beyond and contribute to the ongoing work of reconciliation.
- 2 Learn Indigenous languages at the beginner level.
- 3 Develop skills to work with Indigenous knowledge systems and methodologies, framed by Indigenous pedagogies and learning practices.
- 4 Get out on the land to learn from our first teacher and engage with local Indigenous knowledge keepers and communities.
- 5 Choose from a variety of interdisciplinary courses from the humanities, social sciences, and beyond to broaden your worldview and strengthen your critical thinking skills.

Alumni STORY

"Through the interactions and the knowledge I have gained both in and outside of classes, I have grown as an individual in the best ways possible. In order to change the world, we must first change ourselves."

- **Lauren Ball, BAH '19**



add an optional CERTIFICATE

Data Analytics

Disability and Physical Activity

Employment Relations

Geographic Information Science

Indigenous Languages and Cultures

Sexual and Gender Diversity

Urban Planning Studies

Law

Business

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

2026-27 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!

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



Knowledge & Workplace Skills

A degree in IK&P can equip you with:

- Skills to build and grow ethical relationships with Indigenous peoples and communities by engaging with Indigenous peoples, cultures, histories.
- Capability to distinguish among Indigenous and non-Indigenous epistemologies, methodologies, and pedagogies.
- Initiative, perseverance, problem solving, and time management skills through pursuing your own research question or work with peers on an applied project.
- Skills to conduct independent research by gathering information, asking critical questions.
- Ability to explore complex and difficult ideas through Indigenous modes of respectful debate, discussion, and consensus-based decision-making.
- Communicating with humility the diverse historical and cultural characteristics of Indigenous peoples.
- Knowledge of history of the colonization of Indigenous peoples.

Career Possibilities

A degree in Indigenous Studies can take your career in many directions. You may choose to continue your academic inquiry with a Master's degree. Our students are equipped with a strong foundation for careers in:

- Anthropology
- Cross-cultural consultancy
- Education
- Indigenous community liaison
- Indigenous language and culture education
- Law
- Policy Analysis
- Social Services

Taking time to explore career options, build experience, and network can help you have a smooth transition to the world of work after graduation.

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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.



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QUIP

QUEEN'S UNDERGRADUATE
INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

START DATES

May, September,
or January

POSITIONS

are paid and
full-time

WORK TERMS

are 12-16 months
long

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- Graduate with a "Professional Internship" degree
- Learn about current advances, practices and technologies in business and industry.
- Test drive a career, earn a competitive salary, and get real world experience.

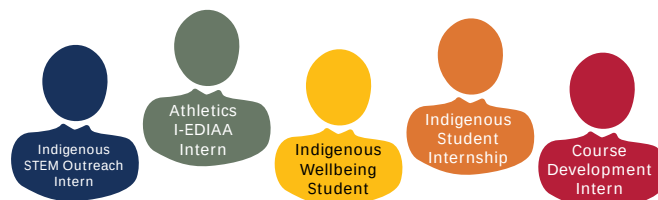
ELIGIBILITY

- 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 the job search and during the 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

