

# Applied Geology MSc Map

## Applying to and Navigating Graduate Studies

### Why Graduate Studies in Applied Geology?

The Master of Science in Applied Geology is a one-year program leading to enhanced knowledge in Mineral Exploration/Resource Geology or Geological Engineering. The program normally commences in September and can be completed by the end of April or August of the following year depending on the project and/or pattern.

### Why Queen's?

As a Master's student in Geological Science you are part of one of the most research intensive universities in Canada. Our research program is internationally renowned with a wide range of research activities in all of the major specialization areas of geological science. As well, students are able to work in first-rate facilities with world-renowned scientists and research engineers, and have opportunities to collaborate with industrial leaders and engage in extensive fieldwork on six continents, making our program truly a world-class experience. Students can also collaborate with other departments at Queen's, including Mining, Environmental Studies, Chemistry, and Biology as well as other institutions like RMC.

### Program Structure

The Master of Science in Applied Geology degree is based either on a project/course-work option, or a course-work only option:

- **Option 1:** GEOL 898 (project) plus 6 term length course credits.
- **Option 2:** Eight term length course credits.

Under the project/course-work option, a student is required to complete six



primary term length course credits. The project course is in addition to these six courses, and is taken under the code GEOL 898. At least four primary courses must be taken in the Department of Geological Sciences & Geological Engineering. Up to 25% (1 course) of the primary courses can be 4th year and/or graduate courses which are co-taught and co-numbered with 4th year courses. The project culminates in a written report.

The requirements for the course-work only option are eight term length course credits, and at least four courses must be taken in the Department of Geological Sciences & Geological Engineering. Selection of courses in both the 2 year Research Master's and 1 year Master of Science in Applied Geology are subject to Supervisor and Graduate Coordinator approval. Students must obtain a satisfactory standing in all courses (minimum 70%) in both the 2 year Research Master's and 1 year Master of Science in Applied Geology.



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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. To make your own custom map, use the My Grad Map tool: [careers.queensu.ca/gradmaps](https://careers.queensu.ca/gradmaps).



# Graduate Studies FAQs

## How do I make the most of my time at Queen's?

Use the Grad Map to plan for success in five overlapping areas of your career and academic life. Everyone's journey is different - the ideas on the maps are just suggestions to help you explore possibilities. For more support with your professional development, take advantage of the SGSPA professional development framework and the new Professional Development Plan (PDP) process to set customized goals to help you get career ready when you graduate.

## Where can I get help?

Queen's provides you with a broad range of support services from your first point of contact with the university through to graduation. Ranging from help with academics and careers, to physical, emotional, or spiritual resources – our welcoming environment offers the programs and services you need to be successful, both academically and personally. Check out the [SGSPA website](#) for available resources.

## What is the community like?

Queen's offers graduate students from every discipline a close-knit intellectual community where they can learn, discover, and build lasting connections. With more than 130 graduate programs across 50+ departments and research centres, students benefit from world-class scholars, prize-winning professional development, generous funding packages, and life in the historic waterfront city of Kingston. The campus sits at the heart of Kingston, just a 10-minute walk from downtown's shops, restaurants, and waterfront, and is deeply integrated with the local community. For more on Kingston's history and culture, see Queen's University's Discover Kingston page.

# Application FAQs

## What do I need to know to Apply?

### ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor degree in one of Geological Sciences, Geological Engineering, Mining Engineering, or Civil Engineering. Degrees in fields such as Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Environmental Sciences, or Geography are seriously considered, but may require additional Geology courses.
- **Grade requirements:** B average.

### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- If English is not a first language, nor was the language of instruction in undergraduate studies, prospective students must meet English language proficiency requirements in writing, speaking, reading, and listening as part of the application process, and before final acceptance is granted, as per School of Graduate Studies and Postdoctoral Affairs' regulations.

### KEY DATES & DEADLINES

- **Application due:** February 1st for September admission.
- **Notification of acceptance:** Normally 4 weeks after the full application has been received.

Before you start your application, please review the Graduate studies application process.

## What about Funding?

There is no departmental or university funding available for 1 year Master of Science in Applied Geology students. Students are expected to obtain external funding prior to admission in the program. For more information, see the School of Graduate Studies and Postdoctoral Affairs' information on awards and scholarships.

