Get to know
CHEMICAL ENGINEERING

Society relies daily on products such as fuel, pharmaceuticals, advanced composites, semiconductors, magnetic and optical storage devices, agricultural products, light-weight materials, coatings, synthetic fibers, and personal care products. Chemical Engineers develop new advanced materials and design the processes that convert raw materials into value-added products.

Chemical Engineering is a broadly based engineering discipline, which combines the study of mathematics, chemistry, physics and biology, with engineering science, design, and economics. You will learn how to design safe, efficient, environmentally-friendly and economical processes. You will also acquire direct experience with pilot-scale chemical process equipment and simulators.

Queen's ADMISSIONS

Students apply to Queen's Engineering (QE) through the OUAC (Ontario University Application Centre) website. Secondary School prerequisites include these five 4U courses, English 4U, Calculus and Vectors 4U, Advanced Functions 4U, Chemistry 4U, and Physics 4U. Applicants outside of Ontario may have additional requirements.

A Common START

Queen's is unique in offering a common First Year along with an open discipline choice. When you do choose your program, you don't have to worry about caps or quotas. Provided you pass all of your First Year courses, you are guaranteed a place in your engineering program of choice. Queen's also offers Section 900, a special extended program for students struggling with First Year courses. Take things at a slower pace and recover in time for Second Year.

Degree OPTIONS

Bachelor of Applied Science in Engineering
Bachelor of Applied Science in Engineering with Professional Internship
Option in Bioengineering / Process Engineering

Course HIGHLIGHTS

Chemical Engineering students have the opportunity to take a wide range of technical courses to help prepare them for the many possible career destinations available. Such courses include:

- Design of Manufacturing processes
- Technology, Engineering and Management
- Process Dynamics and Control
- Mitigation of Industrial Pollution
- Engineering Innovation & Entrepreneurship
- Biomedical Engineering
- Pharmaceutical Technology
- Bioremediation
- Polymer Formulations and Processing Technology

“Semiconductor production, microchips, metals, mineral processing, paper products, petroleum and petrochemicals, plastics, forest products, pharmaceuticals and foods are just some of the sectors in which chemical engineers work.”


That is a degree from Queen's.

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**Chemical Engineering MAJOR MAP**

**BACHELOR OF APPLIED SCIENCE | BACHELOR OF APPLIED SCIENCE WITH PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP**

### 1ST YEAR

- **GET THE COURSES YOU NEED**
  - Queen’s Engineering first year is common – courses include: Physics, Chemistry, Calculus, Algebra, Graphics, Computing, and Earth Systems Engineering.
  - Discipline selection will take place in February! You will also choose your Sub-Plan: Chemical Process Engineering (CHE1) or Bioengineering (CHE2).

- **GET RELEVANT EXPERIENCE**
  - Join a club on campus such as the Queen’s Solar Design Team and the Grid Cell Team.
  - See the AMS Clubs Directory or the Queen’s Get Involved page for more ideas.
  - Volunteer on- or off-campus with different community organizations, such as Let’s Talk Science (LTTS) and Women in Science and Engineering.
  - Consider joining an intramural sports or an athletics team. Check out the Athletics & Recreation site.

- **GET CONNECTED WITH THE COMMUNITY**
  - Get involved with the Engineering Society (ENGSSC).
  - Start or continue volunteering with organizations such as Engineers without Borders (EWB). Attend conferences like the Conference on Industry and Resources Queen’s University Engineering (CIRQUE) and the Queen’s Engineering Competition.

- **GET THINKING GLOBALLY**
  - Speak to a QUIC advisor or get involved in their programs, events, and training opportunities.
  - Prepare for work or study in a multi-cultural environment by taking the Intercultural Awareness Training Certificate hosted by QUIC and Four Directions Indigenous Student Centre, and research possible immigration regulations.

- **GET READY FOR LIFE AFTER GRADUATION**
  - Grappling with program decisions? Go to the Orientation Evenings held by different Engineering departments and attend the various Career Fairs during the year.
  - Get some help from Career Services.

### 2ND YEAR

- **GET THE COURSES YOU NEED**
  - You will also take the second EDPS course – APSC200, as well as a laboratory project course and an additional course based on your option: Transport Phenomena Fundamentals (CHE1) or Cell Based Engineering Principles (CHE2).

- **GET RELEVANT EXPERIENCE**
  - Look into summer jobs by talking to the dept. or Career Services about work through WWAP or NSERC.
  - Consider entrepreneurial opportunities at programs like the Queen’s Innovation Connector Summer Initiative (QICSI).

- **GET CONNECTED WITH THE COMMUNITY**
  - Get involved with the Engineering Society (ENGSSC).
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- **GET THINKING GLOBALLY**
  - Is an exchange in your future? Start thinking about where you would like to study abroad. Apply in January for a 3rd year exchange by the department.
  - Build your intercultural competence by getting involved with other cultures or by practicing or improving your language skills.

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  - Get some help from Career Services.

### 3RD YEAR

- **GET THE COURSES YOU NEED**
  - You will also take another laboratory projects course, as well as additional courses based on your option: Environmental Biotechnology and Biomedical Engineering (CHE2) or Industrial Dynamics (CHE1).

- **GET RELEVANT EXPERIENCE**
  - Stay during the summer as an assistant to a faculty member or apply for an external summer research opportunity. Consider applying to NSERC Collaborative Research and Training Experience (CREATE) Programs such as SERA.
  - Consider applying to do a 12-16 month QUIP internship between your third and fourth year.

- **GET CONNECTED WITH THE COMMUNITY**
  - Do some targeted networking with alumni working in careers of interest by joining the LinkedIn group Queen’s Connects Career Network.
  - Go to the Oil and Gas Speakers Series offered by the department.

- **GET THINKING GLOBALLY**
  - Consider joining professional associations like the Canadian Society for Chemical Engineering or the Canadian Society for Chemical Technology.
  - Join groups on LinkedIn reflecting specific careers or topics of interest in Chemical Engineering.

- **GET READY FOR LIFE AFTER GRADUATION**
  - Build your intercultural competence by getting involved with other cultures or by practicing or improving your language skills.

### 4TH OR FINAL YEAR

- **GET THE COURSES YOU NEED**
  - Courses include: Strategies for Process Design, Design of Manufacturing Processes, and Transport Phenomena.
  - You will also choose 5-6 courses based on your option, which may include research thesis project, multi-disciplinary design projects, or Technology Engineering and Management (TEAM) and you are set to graduate!

- **GET RELEVANT EXPERIENCE**
  - Investigate requirements for full-time jobs or other opportunities related to careers of interest.
  - Assess what experience you’re lacking and fill in gaps with volunteering, clubs, or internships – check out Career Services workshops for help.

- **GET CONNECTED WITH THE COMMUNITY**
  - Consider joining professional associations like the Canadian Society for Chemical Engineering or the Canadian Society for Chemical Technology.
  - Join groups on LinkedIn reflecting specific careers or topics of interest in Chemical Engineering.

- **GET THINKING GLOBALLY**
  - International students interested in staying in Canada can speak with an International Student Advisor.

- **GET READY FOR LIFE AFTER GRADUATION**
  - Apply to jobs or future education, or make plans for other adventures. Get help from Career Services with job searching, resumes, interviews, Grad school applications, or other decisions.

### Employability skills

- **Your time at Queen’s will give you valuable skills to boost your employability, including:**
  - Knowledge of chemical engineering theory and methods
  - Proficiency in mathematics
  - Ability to apply physics, chemistry, and biology principles to practical engineering projects
  - Experience working on hands-on engineering projects
  - Technical knowledge - use software to create mathematical models and analyze data
  - Research skills - conduct research and collect data
  - Complex problem solving - approach problems from various perspectives
  - Ability to work independently and in teams
  - Written and oral communication - write reports and give presentations to a knowledgeable audience
  - Time and resource management
  - Sustainability and the impact of engineering on society

### Where could I go after graduation?

- **Agricultural sciences**
- **Biotechnology**
- **Biomedical engineering**
- **Chemical process engineering**
- **Cytotechnology**
- **Environmental management**
- **Fluid dynamics - aerospace**
- **Finance & Financial analysis**
- **Food industry, nutrition & dietetics**
- **Mineral processing**
- **Nanotechnology**
- **Patent law**
- **Pharmaceutical engineering**
- **Planning urban and regional**
- **Polymer/rubber/plastic technology**
- **Radiology**
- **Toxicology**

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

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*some careers may require additional training. Listed careers are only suggestions.*
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.

Why study in Kingston?

For over 175 years, 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 identified as 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. At a university with more clubs per capita than any other university in Canada, and in 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.