Application FAQs

What do I need to know to APPLY?

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS
- Recognized B.Sc. degree with a background in Biology or Health Sciences or equivalent professional degrees (B.N.Sc., B.Sc. PT).
- Grade requirements: Minimum B+ over 2nd to 4th years, over all courses taken.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS
- If English is not a native language, prospective students must meet the English language proficiency requirements in writing, speaking, reading, and listening.
- If required, TOEFL scores of $550 (paper-based) or TOEFL iBT minimum scores of: writing (24/30), speaking (22/30), reading (22/30), listening (20/30), for a total of 88/120. Applicants must have the minimum score in each test as well as the minimum overall score.

KEY DATES & DEADLINES
- Application due: February 15.
- Short listed candidates will be interviewed in April for a September start.

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- Funding for students enrolled in our M.Sc., Anatomical Sciences program is variable.
- If required, TOEFL scores of 550 (paper-based) or TOEFL iBT minimum scores of: writing (24/30), speaking (22/30), reading (22/30), listening (20/30), for a total of 88/120. Applicants must have the minimum score in each test as well as the minimum overall score.

Before you start your application, please review the Graduate studies application process.
**Anatomical Sciences MSc MAP**

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**GETTING STARTED**

- **BEGIN YOUR ACADEMIC GOALS**
  - Begin your coursework.
  - Find your way through the academic process with help from departmental and **Expanding Horizons** professional development workshops, the department Grad Chair and the SGS Habitat.

- **MAXIMIZE RESEARCH IMPACT**
  - Connect with the Professional Development Officer to discuss your practicum placement goals.

- **BUILD SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE**
  - Consider positions in student services, the SGPS, or media outlets like the Queen's Journal, CFRC, Studio Q and the SGS Blog. Look in the AMS Clubs Directory for more ideas.
  - Serve on departmental, faculty or university committees. Talk to the graduate representatives for tips on getting involved.
  - Check out professional development workshops from **Expanding Horizons**.

- **ENGAGE WITH YOUR COMMUNITY**
  - Explore how you can connect with your community through experiential opportunities on- and off-campus.
  - Consider volunteering with different community organizations, such as Kingston General Hospital.

- **LAUNCH YOUR CAREER**
  - Finding a career that fits starts with knowing yourself. Get help by taking a Career Services career planning workshop or meeting with a career counselor. Check out books like So What Are You Going to do With That? or Planning a Scientific Career in Industry from the Career Resource Area for advice on various career options.
  - Start reading publications like University Affairs and the Chronicle of Higher Education. Browse non-academic labour market websites. Stay on the lookout for special events like Graduate Student Career Forum to explore your career pathways.
  - Check admission test deadlines if needed for further studies.

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**INTERMEDIATE STAGE**

- **BEGIN YOUR ACADEMIC GOALS**
  - Continue your core coursework and choose electives that deepen knowledge and skills in your areas of interest.
  - Begin your MSc (AS) project.

- **MAXIMIZE RESEARCH IMPACT**
  - Apply to various practicum placement opportunities or negotiate your own placement.
  - Get help from Career Services with job searching, resumes, or interviews.
  - Confirm your placement and preceptor and complete the administrative requirements.

- **BUILD SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE**
  - Start keeping an e-portfolio of your skills, experiences and competencies.
  - Seek opportunities to deepen your public health experience and connections.
  - For help with teaching, get support from the Centre for Teaching and Learning. Enrol in SGS901 or the PUTL certificate for more professional development in teaching and learning.

- **ENGAGE WITH YOUR COMMUNITY**
  - Participate in your graduate and professional community through activities such as graduate student outreach programs, organizing conferences, and research groups.
  - Prepare for work or study in a multi-cultural environment by taking the QUIC and Four Directions Aboriginal Student Centre's Training Certificate.
  - International students interested in staying in Canada can speak with an International Student Advisor.

- **LAUNCH YOUR CAREER**
  - Explore different careers of interest by reading alumni profiles on the SGS website, and using Queen'sConnects on LinkedIn, the Queen's Alumni Association, professional associations, and at conferences. Get help from a Career Services workshop.
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**WRAPPING UP**

- **BEGIN YOUR ACADEMIC GOALS**
  - Complete your course work.
  - Finalize your MSc (AS) project.

- **MAXIMIZE RESEARCH IMPACT**
  - Leverage your practicum experience to clarify your professional goals, and help you transition from graduate studies to professional work in anatomical sciences.
  - Attend a major conference in your field. There are many to choose from, so talk to your supervisor for advice on which ones would be most relevant.
  - Consider putting an article in The Conversation.

- **BUILD SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE**
  - Practice articulating the skills you have been developing in different forums: casual conversation, networking, interviews. Get help from a Career Services workshop.
  - Check out opportunities for extra training through CTL, Expanding Horizons, MITACS, or other sources to boost your skills.
  - Investigate internships from MITACS and other sources.

- **ENGAGE WITH YOUR COMMUNITY**
  - Do some targeted networking with people working in careers of interest, through Queen'sConnects on LinkedIn, the Queen's Alumni Association, professional associations, and at conferences. Get help from a Career Services workshop.
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**WHAT WILL I LEARN?**

A graduate degree in Anatomical Sciences can equip you with valuable and versatile skills, such as:

- Knowledge and technical skills
- Effective communication skills in multiple forms for diverse audiences
- Information management: prioritize, organize and synthesize large amounts of information
- Time management: meet deadlines and manage responsibilities despite competing demands
- Project management: develop ideas, gather information, analyze, critically appraise findings, draw and act on conclusions
- Creativity and innovation
- Perseverance
- Independence and experience as a collaborative worker
- Awareness, an understanding of sound ethical practices, social responsibility, responsible research and cultural sensitivity
- Professionalism in all aspects of work, research, and interactions
- Leadership initiative and vision leading people and discussion

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**WHERE CAN I GO?**

A Master's degree in Anatomical Sciences can take your career in many directions. Our Master's students are equipped with a strong foundation for careers in:

- Data Analysis (Health units, government agencies)
- Health research (research associates in institutions or the private sector)
- Project management in pharmaceutical and scientific research industries
- Academic and research labs
- Scientific supply companies
- Teaching positions in academic institutions or the private sector
- Technical positions in academic institutions or the private sector
- 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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