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How do I use this map?
Whether you are considering or have embarked on graduate studies at Queen’s, use this map to plan for success in the overlapping areas of your academic and professional life. The map helps you explore possibilities, set goals and track your individual accomplishments. Everyone’s journey is different – the guide offers options for finding your way at Queen’s and setting the foundation for your future. To make your own customized map, use the online My Grad Map tool.

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 SOS WEBPAGE for available resources.

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Application FAQs
What do I need to know to APPLY?
ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS
• A minimum B+ average in the last two years of an Honours (4-year) Bachelor’s program.
• Students with humanities-based backgrounds or from traditionally unrelated fields may also be considered for admission if they can demonstrate professional equivalency through prior experience in Arts administration.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS
• Statement of Interest: Applicants can submit a statement of interest of up to 4000 characters.
• Two reference letters, either academic or professional.
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(1) TOEFL (internet-based): 100 (2) TOEFL iBT: Writing (22/30); 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), or (3) IELTS: 7.0 (academic module overall band score), or (4) PTE Academics: 65

KEY DATES & DEADLINES
• Applications will be processed as they are received.
• Notification of acceptance: By March 20th
• Classes start: May 14

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

What about FUNDING?
There is no guaranteed funding for students. However, students may apply for Teaching Assistant or Research Assistant positions.

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Program OUTCOMES
• Acquire institutional management skills
• Gain a comprehensive understanding of the tenets of the nonprofit sector
• Receive guidelines for strategic thinking and implementing organizational missions
• Benefit from advanced marketing and development training
• Learn integrated approaches to arts advocacy and cultural policy
• Discern the special nature of negotiating Arts related contracts and collective agreements
• Plan for capital development projects and related community integration
• Understand and serve as an advocate for the Creative Economy

Program STRUCTURE
The five core courses needed to complete the Graduate Diploma in Arts Management are offered during a single summer session studying at Queen’s. After successful completion of the Graduate Diploma program, a student may continue on to pursue the MA program in Arts Leadership through the completion of one additional term of coursework in the Fall followed by a second “capstone” term involving a practicum placement in the arts industry.

DEVELOPING OUR CULTURAL LEADERS
Why GRADUATE STUDIES IN ARTS LEADERSHIP?
Ours is a laddered program where students can receive a Graduate Diploma in Arts Management with the successful completion of the first term, or choose to complete the MA in Arts Leadership with the successful completion of second and third terms. Students receive a 360° view of the arts industry with courses in arts philanthropy and major gifts, arts marketing, cultural policy, strategic thinking and planning, contract negotiation, industrial relations, and an introduction to financial and management accounting. They are exposed to, and taught by, top practitioners in the arts industry who provide a focus on experiential learning through live site research assignments and a final term practicum placement in an arts organization to serve as a capstone project. Graduate students and their work are an important part of an ongoing research process that provides the community with ways of understanding natural, cultural, imaginative, social and technological phenomena.

OUTCOMES
• Understand and serve as an advocate for the Creative Economy

GRAD MAP FOR MA STUDENTS
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MA STUDY PHASE

- Complete your coursework (either on campus or at a distance).
- Finalize your plans for your practicum.

MA PRACTICUM

- Complete your Master’s program with a professional placement while looking forward to exploring future applications for your new training and connections.

MA STUDY PHASE

- In addition to studies in negotiation and cultural policy, expand your knowledge base by choosing from a menu of administration courses.
- Create your own advanced study experience on or off campus.

MA PRACTICUM

- Learn by doing: with program support and supervision, work within an accredited Arts Organization.
- Applied learning opportunities involve a term-long placement working with industry professionals as you study and assess management structure from the inside.

MA STUDY PHASE

- With the help of the program’s five core courses, enhance your current skills and pursue new ones within the Arts management field.
- Learn through interactive projects led by senior management professionals and get learning support from the Centre for Teaching and Learning.

MA PRACTICUM

- Develop relationships with top practitioners and build further connections within the industry.
- Opportunities for sponsored internships within your field.

MA STUDY PHASE

- Course work (online or on campus) with ongoing work off campus.
- Face-to-face contact with campus instructors and pursue possible opportunities for Teaching Assistantships.

MA PRACTICUM

- While working in the field off campus, pursue targeted networking with people who engage you both in your placement area and beyond.
- Expand your connections by joining professional associations and attending conferences and workshops throughout the Arts industry.

MA STUDY PHASE

- Develop relationships with a mixture of emerging and established practitioners who are joined in a common pursuit of professional innovation.
- Engage in the academic and professional training process with help from departmental supervisors, the Program’s Grad Coordinators and the GSS Habitat.

MA PRACTICUM

- Complete your coursework while looking forward to exploring future applications for your new training and connections.

Where can I go?

A Graduate Diploma in Arts Management and/or Master’s degree in Arts Leadership can take your career in many directions. Many of our MA students choose to continue their academic inquiry with a PhD. Our Master’s students are equipped with a strong foundation for careers in:

- Arts Administration
- Production Management
- Not-for-Profit Advocacy
- Cultural Sector Marketing
- Arts Facility Management
- Community Outreach and Education
- Development and Advancement
- HR Management for the Arts
- Business Management
- Director for Performing Arts Organization
- 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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GRADUATE DIPLOMA *

Visit careers.queensu.ca/gradmaps.html for the online version with links!

* This map is intended to provide suggestions for activities and careers, but everyone’s abilities, experiences, and constraints are different. Build your own Grad Map using our online My Grad Map tool.