Why a PROFESSIONAL MASTER’S in EDUCATION?

Take your career to the next level with our part-time, online Professional Master of Education program – designed for working professionals just like you.

The program attracts students from a variety of settings—schools, governments, universities, professions, and people in career transitions—enriching everyone’s experience.

Program STRUCTURE

Each course is approximately 36 hours online with your professor and 70-100 hours of self-directed study. Courses are 7 weeks in duration in the summer and 10 weeks in the fall and winter terms to help accommodate your life schedule. There is no requirement to be on-campus for any part of the degree.

You get to choose a concentration to specialize in to help make the most of your education.

ELECTIVE Courses (Pick 2)

- PME 810 Integrated Planning, Instruction, and Assessment
- PME 811 Innovation in Teaching and Learning
- PME 812 Organizational Learning
- PME 813 Knowledge Translation and Mobilization

Normally, after completing the first five required and elective courses, you will complete three courses within your chosen concentration in addition to the PME 803 Organizational Leadership course and one elective from another concentration.

Fields of STUDY

- Aboriginal Education
- Assessment and Evaluation
- Classroom Specialist
- Literacy Education
- Education Abroad

Students may also undertake a Capstone Project, a self-directed course that allows student professionals to explore current and relevant educational challenges within their own practice and organization, or Experiential Practice in Education, which is an opportunity for experiential learning which entails an authentic work/teaching opportunity for students.

These can be taken in place of an elective course.

“Deciding to pursue my Professional Masters of Education at Queen’s was the best decision I made! The flexibility that the online, course-based program offered allowed me the opportunity to continue to work full-time while pursuing higher education. The courses were so interesting and engaging that I barely noticed it was a completely remote program. The knowledge and skills I acquired from the PME program has already had a huge impact on my career!”

- Mikaila De Sousa (PME Student)
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 SGS HABITAT for available resources.

APPLICATION FAQs

What do I need to know to APPLY?

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS
- A baccalaureate degree from a recognized university
- Statement of Interest
- Graduation with a B- graduating average or higher (70% graduating average or a ranking in the top third of the graduating class where number grades are not available)
- Under exceptional circumstances, consideration will be given to highly motivated individuals with relevant field experience who do not meet the B- requirement
- Applicants whose native languages do not include English must obtain a minimum English language requirement of 580 or higher on the paper-based TOEFL exam; 237 Computer-based; 88 on the TOEFL iBT test or IELTS Band 7 or higher.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS
- 2 academic references (or 2 professional references if last degree was completed more than 5 years prior)
- As part of the online application and application fee, applicants will be required to submit official transcripts from all universities attended (except Queen's), and 2 academic references.

KEY DATES & DEADLINES
- Please refer to https://educ.queensu.ca/PME for key dates and deadlines.

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

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The online application form includes two spaces for reference contact information.

Referees are notified that you want them to provide a reference for you by email after you have submitted your online application, so please submit your application at least two weeks before the application deadline and be sure to include the correct email addresses of your referees on your online application. Applications will not be deemed complete and will not be reviewed by the admissions committee until all listed references are received.

In addition to the online application and application fee, applicants are required to submit official transcripts (envelopes from the institution cannot be opened) from all universities you have attended except for Queen’s.

If you have questions, please contact the Graduate Studies & Research Office.

“As an assessment consultant, I am always eager to expand my knowledge and understanding of my field, though due to my professional obligations it has been difficult to find the right opportunities to do so. The PME program at Queen’s University has proved to be an ideal fit for my situation, allowing me to gain foundational training in an array of education concepts as well as helping me to develop practical tools that I have been able to apply in better serving my clients, all while continuing to work full-time.”

- Matthew Marini (PME Student)