

HEALTH SCIENCES EDUCATION

About the Ph.D. in Health Sciences Education

The Ph.D. in Health Sciences Education is a unique, interdisciplinary and interprofessional program offered by McGill University's Institute of Health Sciences Education (IHSE), within the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences.

This program uses a theoretical approach to guide aspiring researchers in health professions and health sciences education (HSE) to develop the skills to make conceptually informed design and methodological choices in their research projects.

After completing the program, students will join a new, innovative and fast-growing field in the health sciences, where researchers from a broad range of disciplines contribute practice-informed evidence that advances:

- societal health and well-being
- the quality and safety of patient care
- the education of the next generation of health care professionals.

As Ph.D. students are based at the IHSE, a unit specially devoted to the field in Canada, they will also gain opportunities for networking, collaboration and mentorship, as well as access to research and clinical sites.

The Ph.D. program is offered on a full-time basis at the IHSE, located on the McGill University campus in downtown Montreal.

About the Graduate Certificate in Foundations of Health Science Education

As demand increases for experienced health care professionals with the skills to educate the next generation, the Institute of Health Sciences Education and the Department of Educational and Counselling Psychology are proud to offer a new Graduate Certificate in Foundations of Health Sciences Education.

In this interdisciplinary program, learners will gain knowledge of current education theories, as well as the expertise to apply this knowledge in health sciences curriculum design, instruction, assessment, and program evaluation. They will also be able to apply concepts of educational leadership and scholarship in their role as an educator in clinical and basic science settings. Expertise in this field can lead to leadership opportunities in clinical education, universities, and education research.

The graduate certificate is offered in a blended format, combining in-person classes at McGill's Institute of Health Sciences Education with structured online learning, lectures, and individual and group activities. Upon completion, learners will have the foundational knowledge and skills to pursue a Master's degree or PhD in health sciences education.

Graduate Certificate in Foundations of Health Sciences Education Admission Requirements

Admission Requirements

Background and CGPA

Applicants to the Graduate Certificate in Foundations of Health Sciences Education must:

- have, at minimum, an undergraduate degree in health sciences, health professions, or another related field;
- be a working health professional, a senior healthcare learner who is close to completing training to become a health professional, or a health science educator teaching in a health professions institution; and
- have a minimum CGPA of 3.0 out of 4.0. Please be aware that a CGPA of 3.0 is a minimum requirement only and does not guarantee acceptance.

NOTE: Applicants may be required to attend an interview during the admission process.

International Students

If you are an international applicant and wish to find out whether you qualify under McGill University's CGPA Guidelines for Graduate Admissions, visit Educational Credentials and Grade Equivalencies.

Proficiency in English

Applicants to graduate studies whose mother tongue is not English, and who have not completed an undergraduate or graduate degree from a recognized foreign institution where English is the language of instruction or from a recognized Canadian institution (anglophone or francophone), must submit results of a TOEFL or IELTS exam with their application. Consult the Institute for Health Sciences Education's website for details.

Application Dates and Deadlines

Application opening dates are set by Enrolment Services in consultation with Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies (GPS), while application deadlines are set by Experimental Surgery and may be revised at any time. Applicants must verify all deadlines and documentation requirements well in advance on the appropriate McGill departmental website; please consult the list at mcgill.ca/gps/contact/graduate-program.

Information on application deadlines is available at mcgill.ca/gradapplicants/how-apply/you-apply-mcgill/application-deadlines.

Admission to graduate studies is competitive; accordingly, late and/or incomplete applications are considered only as time and space permit.

Available Programs

- Foundations in Health Sciences Education (Gr. Cert.) (15 credits)
- Health Sciences Education (Ph.D.)

Locations

Institute of Health Sciences Education, McGill University
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