

Graduate Programs

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Since introducing its first master's program in 1881, Western has been dedicated to excellence in graduate education. We offer more than 70 Master's and 50 Doctoral programs, including a range of professional master's and interdisciplinary programs.

As one of Canada's largest research-intensive universities, first class research facilities and infrastructure are available to all of our graduate students. At Western, graduate students and postdoctoral scholars have the opportunity to pursue their passion under the mentorship of world-renowned experts.

We invite you to share in our tradition of excellence and experience the advantage of a Western graduate degree. For more information, please visit www.grad.uwo.ca

Admission Requirements

For Admission to Master's programs, applicants must possess a four-year degree from an accredited university. The School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies requires at least a 70% average across academic courses taken in the last two full-time years of the undergraduate degree. Equivalent qualifications may be considered based on the standards of the discipline or profession.

For admission to Doctoral programs, applicants must possess a Master's degree or equivalent from a university, college or institute, and provide evidence of research potential. At least a 70% average in the Master's degree is required as determined by the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies.

Individual programs commonly have higher admission standards than the minimum; applicants should contact their program of choice to get information on its admission requirements.

Degrees Offered

Masters and/or Doctoral degrees are offered in most disciplines. Listed below are select Western graduate programs that are not widely available at other Ontario universities. For a complete list of graduate programs offered, please visit www.grad.uwo.ca

JOURNALISM

NCB 240 ▶ 519-661-4017 ▶ Website: www.fims.uwo.ca

Western is the only Canadian university offering a Master of Arts in Journalism degree that combines theory with hands-on experience and can be completed in twelve months. The MA in Journalism is a well-rounded, professional program that will prepare you for positions in newsrooms. The curriculum stresses a balance of academic and practical courses and offers a solid grounding in the tools and practices of print and broadcast journalism. The program is supported by full facilities for TV, radio and new media production. The Faculty's on-site Graduate Resource Centre provides access to sources of information journalists need in researching stories.

Admission Requirements

Applicants for admission to the Master of Arts program in Journalism must have a 4-year honors degree or equivalent with a minimum B standing in the final 2 years. Applicants are also required to submit 1,000 word autobiographical sketch, two letters of reference, a current résumé, and a portfolio of publications, if any. For further information refer to the Faculty of Information and Media Studies website at www.fims.uwo.ca.

Degree Offered

- ▶ Master of Arts (MA)

LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

NCB 240 ▶ 519-661-4017 ▶ Website: www.fims.uwo.ca

Admission Requirements

Applicants for admission to the Master of Library and Information Science program must have a 4-year honors degree or equivalent with a minimum B standing in the last 2 years of full-time study. Applicants are also required to submit two letters of reference and a current résumé. Applicants for admission to the PhD in Library and Information Science program must have a Master's degree in library and information science from an American Library Association accredited school, or have a

graduate degree in an allied field and agree to complete additional courses in library and information science.

For further information refer to the Faculty of Information and Media Studies website at www.fims.uwo.ca

Degrees Offered

- ▶ Master of Library and Information Science (MLIS)
- ▶ Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

Elborn College 1510 ▶ 519-661-3227 ▶ Email: earmouth@uwo.ca ▶ Website: www.uwo.ca/fhs/csd

Western's School of Communication Sciences and Disorders (SCSD) prepares graduate students for careers in audiology and speech-language pathology. Audiologists and speech-language pathologists work with people who have hearing, speech, language, voice, swallowing and cognitive communication impairments. They also investigate the symptoms, causes, and treatments of such impairments, and conduct research into normal hearing, speech, language, voice, swallowing and communication mechanisms and processes.

Degrees Offered

- ▶ Master of Clinical Science (Audiology/Speech-Language Pathology)
- ▶ MSc and PhD degrees in Hearing Science and Speech & Language Science are offered through the Health and Rehabilitation Sciences Graduate program (www.uwo.ca/fhs/health_rehab_sci)

Application Process

Applications for the program must be complete (including all supporting documents) by January 6, 2012 for entry in the Fall of the next academic year.

The application (COMPASS.ORPAS) and complete instructions are available on-line through the Ontario Rehabilitation Sciences Program Application Service (ORPAS) at www.ouac.on.ca/orpas, a service of the Ontario Universities Application Centre.

Admission Requirements - Speech-Language Pathology

Entry to the graduate program in Speech-Language Pathology is on a competitive basis. Outstanding applicants holding an undergraduate degree will be considered. Such applicants must:

1. Have successfully completed a four-year degree prior to entering the program.
2. Have successfully completed at least one half year credit from each of the following:
 - i. Developmental Psychology or Child Development¹
 - ii. Introduction to Linguistics^{1,2}
 - iii. Statistics
 - iv. Human Anatomy, Human Physiology, Physiological Psychology, Neuroscience or equivalent.
 - v. Life/Biomedical/General Sciences that covers basic processes important for communication sciences and communication disorders. Acceptable courses include Anatomy, Neuroscience, Physiology, Physics, Biology, Pharmacology, or equivalent. Subject to change, pending approval. See website for details.
 - vi. Social Science/Psychology/Linguistics covering basic human processes important for communication sciences and communication disorders. Acceptable courses include: Physiological Psychology, Neuropsychology, Perception, Learning and Memory, Normal Lifespan Development, Cognition, Social Psychology, Abnormal Psychology, Language Acquisition, Phonetics, Phonology, Semantics, Syntax, Pragmatics, Introduction to Speech and Language Disorders, or equivalent.

¹ At least one of these courses must include a section on normal language acquisition/development.

² Must include a section on phonetics.

* It is recommended that applicants take additional courses listed in v. and vi.

3. Have maintained a minimum "B" average in the 10 full courses most recently completed.
4. Have completed a minimum of 14 hours of supervised experience in a setting that offers service to people with communication disorders, with a registered speech language pathologist, and provide a completed

Clinical Reference Form, included in the ORPAS application.

5. Provide at least two letters of academic reference. Applicants who have not taken courses at the university level for more than five years may provide references from employers or professional colleagues who are able to comment on their suitability for graduate studies.

Complete the "Statement of Intent" that is part of the ORPAS online application.

Admission Requirements - Audiology

Entry to the graduate program in Audiology is on a competitive basis. Outstanding applicants holding an undergraduate degree will be considered. Such applicants must:

1. Have successfully completed a four-year degree prior to entering the program.
 2. Have successfully completed at least one half year credit from each of the following:
 - i. Developmental Psychology or Normal Lifespan Development
 - ii. Statistics
 - iii. Human Anatomy, Human Physiology, Physiological Psychology, Neuroscience or equivalent.
 - iv. Social Science/Psychology/Linguistics covering basic human processes important for communication sciences and communication disorders. Acceptable courses include: Physiological Psychology, Neuropsychology, Sensation, Perception, Learning and Memory, Normal Lifespan Development, Cognition, Social Psychology, Abnormal Psychology, Linguistics, Language Acquisition, Phonetics, Phonology, Semantics, Syntax, Pragmatics, or Introduction to Speech, Language, and/or Hearing Disorders.
- * Students are strongly encouraged to have completed at least one course in mathematics, physics, or engineering science.

- (3) Have maintained a minimum "B" average in the 10 full courses most recently completed.
- (4) Have completed a minimum of 14 hours of supervised experience in a setting that offers service to people with communication disorders and provide a completed Clinical Reference Form, included in the ORPAS application.
- (5) Provide at least two letters of academic reference. Applicants who have not taken courses at the university level for more than five years may provide references from employers or professional colleagues who are able to comment on their suitability for graduate studies.

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OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Elborn College 2555 ▶ 519-661-2175 ▶ Email: czyzewsk@uwo.ca ▶ Website: www.uwo.ca/fhs/ot

The Occupational Therapy program is a two year, entry-level professional Masters program combining academic courses and fieldwork placements. Our program, based on the divergent case method, combines classroom and individual study with fieldwork, integrating the theoretical content with skills essential for practice. Integrate theory with practice under the direction of a registered occupational therapist during your fieldwork. Classroom experiences involve problem-solving sessions, case studies, independent study, and client interactions.

Admission Requirements

Requirements for admission include completion of a four-year undergraduate degree (or equivalent). Students with a GPA 3.5-3.7 (as calculated by ORPAS) or better would normally be considered competitive applicants for the program.

Degrees Offered

- ▶ Master of Science in Occupational Therapy MSc(OT)
- ▶ MSc and PhD degrees in Occupational Science are offered through the Health and Rehabilitation Sciences Graduate program (www.uwo.ca/fhs/health_rehab_sci)

Application Process

The application (COMPASS.ORPAS) and complete instructions are available on-line through the Ontario Rehabilitation Sciences Program Application Service (ORPAS), a service of the Ontario Universities' Application Centre.

PHYSICAL THERAPY

Elborn College 1588 ▶ 519-661-3360 ▶ Email: dbeer@uwo.ca ▶ Website: www.uwo.ca/fhs/pt

The School of Physical Therapy offers a Master of Physical Therapy (MPT), a two-year (24-month) professional degree combining academic courses and clinical placements.

The Master of Physical Therapy degree (MPT) provides a strong foundation in the behavioral and biosciences, as well as exceptional professional clinical placements. During your clinical training at Western, you will have the opportunity to interact with clients of all ages and with various degrees of physical impairment, disability or handicap. In London's world-class teaching hospitals and surrounding regional facilities, you will encounter a variety of clinical experiences in a wide range of practice settings, and will work with some of the top Physical Therapists in the field.

Admission Requirements

- ▶ The following are required for application to the Master of Physical Therapy (MPT) program:
 - ▶ Canadian Citizenship or Permanent Residency
 - ▶ A four year Bachelor's degree
 - ▶ Two standard letters of reference (the R1 form from the ORPAS application package)
 - ▶ Successful completion of the following university-level prerequisite courses, or equivalent:
 - 1 half-course in Human, Mammalian or Vertebrate Physiology (e.g. Western Physiology 1020, 1021, 2130, or equivalent)
 - 1.0 full course in general or introductory Science from Physical, Life or Health Sciences.
 - 1 half-course in English or Writing with an essay component
 - 1 half-course in Statistics, Research Methods, or Research Design
 - 1.0 full course (or two half course equivalents) from either Social Science or Liberal Arts or a half course from each.

Application Process

The application (COMPASS.ORPAS) and complete instructions are available on-line through the Ontario Rehabilitation Sciences Program Application Service (ORPAS), a service of the Ontario Universities Application Centre.

Degrees Offered

- ▶ Master of Physical Therapy (MPT)
- ▶ Master of Clinical Science (MCISc)
- ▶ Combined MPT/PhD
- ▶ MSc and PhD degrees in Physical Therapy are offered through the Health and Rehabilitation Sciences Graduate program (www.uwo.ca/fhs/health_rehab_sci)