

REHABILITATION SCIENCE

Program Overview

The goal of rehabilitation science is to generate new knowledge to improve function and participation of people with or at risk of disability across the lifespan, to strengthen rehabilitation workforce and health systems, and to create equity and opportunities for people with disabilities in society. The doctoral and master's programs in Rehabilitation Science at Queen's University stress the multidisciplinary contribution of many health professions and disciplines to rehabilitation. The program attracts students from varied backgrounds including occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech-language pathology, kinesiology, psychology, social work, arts & humanities, nursing, education, epidemiology, law, engineering and others.

Students engage with the broad scope of rehabilitation science and are provided with opportunities to develop research skills and knowledge. Their research addresses the needs of people across the spectrum of ability, promotes improved high-quality rehabilitation, enhanced and health services and a more equitable society.

Financial Assistance

Graduate students are expected to apply to the external granting agencies for fellowships available to them. Thereafter they will be considered, without further application, for Queen's Fellowships. Graduate students may receive support from grants held by members of faculty, or from departmental funds. Teaching assistantships are available to suitably qualified candidates.

Admission Requirements

Admission to the M.Sc. program is limited and is normally based, at a minimum, on an upper second class standing (B+) in a degree equivalent to an honours undergraduate degree in a discipline related to rehabilitation science (e.g. physical therapy, occupational therapy, kinesiology, sociology, psychology, life sciences, engineering, etc.) and awarded by a recognized university.

Admission to the doctoral program is limited and is normally based on high academic standing after the completion of a Master's degree, normally in one of three patterns:

1. a research Master's degree in rehabilitation science or a related field;
2. a professional Master's degree in Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, or other rehabilitation-related profession; or

3. a bachelor's degree in Occupational Therapy or Physical Therapy followed by a research master's in any field.