

Applying to COMPUTING AND SOFTWARE Graduate School?

What are the deadlines for applying?

Domestic Applicants: Apply by July 31

International Applicants: Apply by February 28

What is required to apply?

1. Official Academic Transcripts and Degree Completion Certificates
2. Statement of Interest
3. Resume/CV
4. ELP (TOEFL/IELTS) Scores (if applicable)
5. Proof of Permanent Resident Status (if applicable)
6. Two (2) Academic References

What are the admission requirements?

1. MSc/MASc

Academic Prerequisites: Honours Bachelor's degree in Engineering, Computer Science, Mathematics, or equivalent.

Anticipated Admission Range: *Min B+ (77-79%)*

2. MEng

Academic Prerequisites: Honours Bachelor's degree in Engineering, Computer Science, Mathematics, or equivalent.

Anticipated Admission Range: *Min B- (70-72%)*

3. PhD CS/SE

Academic Prerequisites: Master's Degree (MASc, MSc, or equivalent) in a related field.

Anticipated Admission Range: *Minimum B+ (77-79%)*

What are the tuition rates?

Pending Board of Governors approval. All fees are subject to change. Please visit the Registrar website: <https://registrar.mcmaster.ca/fees/graduate/>

Under “Faculty of Engineering”

MASc/MSc – under “Research Programs – Masters”

PhD – under “Graduate Programs – PHD”

MEng – under “Graduate Programs – Course Based or Professional Programs”

What is a typical timeline for graduate students?

Most full-time masters complete their program within 2 years (20 months).

Most full time PhD students complete their program in 4 years.

Do I need to find a supervisor or need the support of a professor before applying?

No. An applicant does not need to seek out support of a supervisor before they apply. However, in your application you MUST identify 3 potential supervisors. ALL programs require supervisor acceptance in order to receive admission. Although it is not mandatory, applicants do have the option to also contact and email potential supervisors (contact info found on our website) to introduce yourself and express interest.

I haven't heard back from a prospective supervisor- what should I do?

It is recommended that you review the bios and research of our faculty members before applying to identify Areas of Research and projects that align with your interests and experience. You may wish to reach out to your chosen faculty member(s) by email to generate their interest.

Our faculty members are very busy year-round so a lack of response from them typically means that they are not accepting new graduate students at that time.