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Introduction
Application and Admissions

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his guide contains the policies and procedures followed by the *School of Environmental Studies* (SES) in the administration of our *Master of Environmental Studies* (MES) Graduate Program. This program is administered in conjunction with the *School of Graduate Studies*, which governs all University regulations pertaining to graduate studies at Queen's.

The goal of the MES program is to provide graduate level training in environmental sustainability and its relationship to the sustainability of human health and social, ecological, and economic systems. The theme of sustainability emphasises the long-term nature and impacts of environmental change, the connections between today's decisions and tomorrow's welfare, and the strong dependency of human well-being on environmental quality. The interdisciplinary nature of the MES program reflects this inter-dependency and will provide the capacity to appreciate the breadth of environmental issues, develop concrete solutions to environmental problems, and the ability to interact with other professionals outside a single discipline.

There are two options for the *Master of Environmental Studies*. The first is a *course-based degree* that can be completed within 3-5 semesters, and balances course material and independent study (6 half-credit courses plus a library research project). The alternative is a *research-based degree* that can be completed within 6 semesters and places a greater emphasis on original research (4 half-credit courses plus thesis research and oral defense). The program is linked to other units at Queen's through graduate courses available from relevant

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Advertising for the program will be maintained on the School's website at <http://www.queensu.ca/ensc/>, through the School of Graduate Studies at Queen's, through print ads placed in appropriate media and distributed at annual conferences of environmental societies and Graduate Fairs.

Information regarding the number and type of documents required is available through the online application. Reference forms are provided with the online application.

Once all documents are received, the application is marked as “**Documents Received**” by the Graduate School and the SES.

- ii. Departments are then able to refuse or accept the application.
- iii.

REJECTION:

Students not accepted into the program but who show promise will be placed on a

