DISCOVER GRADUATE STUDIES at Waterloo Engineering

IP POLICY

100% of the ideas developed at Waterloo are owned by you

YOUR IDEAS, YOUR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Our policy on intellectual property gives both faculty and students complete ownership over their ideas and technology. That puts you in control to patent or license your idea, to commercialize it or even start your own company.

VISIT OUR GRADUATE STUDIES PAGE

Learn more about our programs, get tips on how to apply, read student stories, watch our latest videos and more ...

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As Canada’s largest engineering school, Waterloo Engineering is home to an active and growing graduate student community of more than 2,100 motivated, curious and passionate problem solvers who are changing the world we live in.

**RANKED #1**

| **TOP COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH UNIVERSITY in Canada, comprehensive for the past 15 years** | **100+ UNIQUE graduate funding types available** |
| **INNOVATIVE UNIVERSITY in Canada (Maclean’s 2023)** | |
| **IN CANADA FOR ENTREPRENEURS (PitchBook 2023)** | |
| **2,100+ GRADUATE STUDENTS** | **$82+ MILLION sponsored research funds** |
| **330+ FACULTY MEMBERS** | **22 CANADA Research Chairs** |
| **ENGINEERING INFRASTRUCTURE across 18 buildings** | **1 CANADA 150 Research Chair** |
| **150+ MAJOR AWARDS won by graduate students totalling $1.5+M** | **1 CANADA EXCELLENCE Research Chair** |
| **TOP 50 ENGINEERING SCHOOL IN THE WORLD (QS World University Ranking, 2022)** | **16 UNIVERSITY Research Chairs** |

If unanswered questions motivate you and collaboration with brilliant colleagues inspires you, Waterloo Engineering offers you the ideal path forward. Our graduate programs invite exceptional people like you to advance solutions for real-world problems.

**EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH**

| **22 CANADA Research Chairs** | **62 EARLY RESEARCHER AWARD RECIPIENTS** | **16 UNIVERSITY Research Chairs** | **5 ENDOWED Research Chairs** | **5 INDUSTRY Research Chairs** |

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**GRADUATE STUDIES at Waterloo Engineering**

**WHY STUDY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO?**

**REPUTATION IN ACADEMICS**

Home to Canada’s largest engineering school, our students and world-renowned faculty members are known for solving problems that change the world we live in.

**CAREER DEVELOPMENT AND NETWORKING**

The Waterloo Region is one of Canada’s fastest-growing technology hubs where both industry-leading businesses and startups thrive. Many of our graduate students focus their research on industry-relevant solutions. Some develop these solutions into businesses through the local incubator programs. Our faculty members are well-integrated with key industry players, developing lasting partnerships, while tackling real-world problems.

**ATTRACTIVE LIFESTYLE**

Not only is Waterloo home to an array of startups and tech giants, it’s also a good place to live. It offers a vibrant food scene with something for everyone from farmers’ markets to vegan cafés and award-winning restaurants. Visitors and residents can enjoy lively cultural events, music festivals as well as the world’s largest Oktoberfest outside of Germany. Waterloo is a fast-growing city with a relaxed small-town character. Surrounded by beautiful countryside and located in easy distance from Toronto, Waterloo is a great place to call home.

**CONNECTION TO THE COMMUNITY**

Waterloo Engineering engages with its broader community through a variety of outreach programs. By igniting people’s natural curiosity and sharing the wonders of science and engineering, the University is building a culture of lifelong learning, discovery and invention.
WHERE WILL A GRADUATE DEGREE TAKE YOU?

Waterloo Engineering PhD graduates are employed globally.

Our recent PhD graduates work for some of the top employers in academia and industry or start their own industry-leading companies.

59% Industry or Entrepreneurship

41% Academic

WHERE WILL A GRADUATE DEGREE TAKE YOU?

YOUR PATH TO SUCCESS

“I chose Waterloo to pursue my PhD firstly because of my supervisor and secondly, for Waterloo’s reputation among founders and investors as a major hub for startup activity. Everyone needs a creative outlet and for me, the last four years of working with my supervisor kept my spirits high and certain skills sharp amidst the startup grind.”

DR. JEREMY C.H. WANG, (PhD ’23)
Co-founder and CEO Ribbit
A venture-backed startup offering piloted drone services to deliver commercial cargo to remote areas signed a $1.3 million contract with Transport Canada to begin testing in 2024.

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“Upon my BASc graduation, I was offered a fully-funded MASc position at the Center for Advanced Joining (CASM). From there I was transferred directly to my PhD program based on my academic record and research output. Once I knew I wanted to pursue research, making the choice to stay at UWaterloo was a relatively easy one. UWaterloo provided me with the resources I needed to succeed while simultaneously offering a supportive and enriching academic experience that would be difficult to find elsewhere.”

DR. MUHAMMAD SHEHRYAR KHAN (PhD ’23, BASc ’18)
Winner of the Governor General’s Gold Medal, Alexander Graham Bell Canada Graduate Scholarship, and the prestigious Banting Postdoctoral Fellowship held at MIT.

18.6% OF TECH FOUNDERS IN CANADA GRADUATE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO

(Which University represents only 3.6% of the grad student population)

Waterloo students, researchers and alumni have founded 1,000+ startups, spin offs and mature companies

ENTREPRENEURIAL POWERHOUSE

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EXAMPLES OF EMPLOYERS:

Industry Employers:
• Tesla, Google, IBM, Microsoft, Apple, Uber, Goldman Sachs, Honeywell, Siemens, Oracle

University Employers:
• Stanford, UBC, U of T, Yale, Purdue, Harvard, MIT

Companies Started by our Grad:
• Smarter Alloys, SMATS Traffic Solutions, SSIMWave, AdHawk Microsystems, FleetCarma

NEWS PUBLICATION

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# Find the Program That's Right for You

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- Research-based program.  
- 3-4 courses + original research and thesis.  
- Duration: 4 years.  
- No supervisor is required at the application stage. A supervisor is needed before receiving an offer of admission.  
- Minimum funding provided: $26,000/year*.  
- In addition to minimum funding, eligible for Teaching Assistantships (TA) and Research Assistantships (RA).  
- Direct Entry PhD (from a Bachelor’s degree) is an available option for top applicants.  
*May increase in the future. |
| **Master of Applied Science (MASc)** |  
- Research-based program.  
- 4-5 courses + original research and thesis.  
- Duration: 2 years.  
- No supervisor is required at the application stage. A supervisor is needed before receiving an offer of admission.  
- Minimum funding provided: $18,000/year.  
- In addition to minimum funding, eligible for Teaching Assistantships (TA) and Research Assistantships (RA). |
| **Master of Engineering (MEng)** |  
- Coursework-based programs.  
- 8-9 courses.  
- Duration: 1 to 1.5 years.  
- No supervisor.  
- Eligible students can transfer to a MASc. |
| Master of Management Science (MMSc) |  
- Research-based program + original research and thesis.  
- 13-14 courses.  
- The research subject is selected by the student, and a supervisor will be selected after completing at least one term of study.  
- Student needs to be self-funded.  
- Teaching Assistantships (TA) available. |
| Master of Architecture (MArch) |  
- Course-based program.  
- 4 Courses.  
- Direct entry programs: GDip in Electric Power Engineering | GDip in Data Analytics | GDip in Business and Entrepreneurship |

*Learn more*
Waterloo Engineering offers professional and research graduate programs in its six departments and two schools.
SPECIALIZATION AND RESEARCH AREAS

CHEMICAL ENGINEERING

MASc AND PhD RESEARCH AREAS
- Electrochemical engineering
- Biotechnology and biomedical engineering
- Process systems engineering
- Nanotechnology for advanced materials
- Sustainable reaction engineering

MEng SPECIALIZATIONS
- Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning
- Biomedical Engineering
- Business Leadership
- Computer Networking and Security
- Nanoelectronic Circuits and Systems
- Nanoelectronic Devices and Materials
- Software
- Sustainable Energy

ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING

MASc AND PhD RESEARCH AREAS
- Antennas, microwaves and wave optics
- Biomedical engineering
- Circuits and systems
- Communications and information systems
- Computer hardware
- Computer software
- Nanotechnology
- Quantum information
- Pattern analysis and machine intelligence
- Power and energy systems
- Silicon devices and integrated circuits
- Systems and controls
- Very large-scale integration
- Wireless communication

MECHANICAL AND MECHATRONICS ENGINEERING

MASc AND PhD RESEARCH AREAS
- Automation and controls
- Fluid mechanics and fire behaviour
- Materials engineering processing
- Solid body mechanics and design
- Thermal engineering

CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

MASc AND PhD RESEARCH AREAS
- Environmental and water resources engineering
- Geotechnical engineering
- Structures, mechanics and construction engineering
- Transportation engineering

MEng SPECIALIZATION
- Nuclear Engineering

MEng SPECIALIZATIONS
- Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning
- Biomedical Systems
- Human Factors
- Mechatronics and Physical Systems
- Vision, Image and Signal Processing

MANAGEMENT SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

MMSc SPECIALIZATIONS
- Data Analytics

MASc AND PhD RESEARCH AREAS
- Data analytics and optimization
- Design and innovation management
- Health care operations management
- Human-computer interaction
- Organization and human behaviour
- Search engines and natural language processing
- Supply chain management and logistics

SYSTEMS DESIGN ENGINEERING

MASc AND PhD RESEARCH AREAS
- Biomedical systems
- Intelligent and automated systems
- Human factors and interfaces
- Medical physics and mechatronic systems
- Societal and environmental systems

MEng SPECIALIZATION
- Green Energy
DISCOVER OUR COLLABORATIVE PROGRAMS

Waterloo Engineering promotes interdisciplinary learning with different perspectives.

Our University community is connected, we understand that shared success makes us all stronger. We have developed collaborative programs where students complete their specialist training in their respective home departments or school while working with students from a variety of disciplines.

WATER
Delivered by the 11 participating academic units and coordinated and supported by the Water Institute, the Collaborative Water Program at the University of Waterloo is the most interdisciplinary water graduate program in Canada.

Look for MASc and PhD Collaborative programs in Water in the Departments of:
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil and Environmental Engineering
- School of Architecture

NANOTECHNOLOGY
Through the collaborative graduate program in Nanotechnology, the students are exposed to rich, broad and integrated educational resources, a diverse network of expertise and world-class research opportunities that leverage their engineering degrees.

Look for MASc and PhD Collaborative programs in Nanotechnology in the Departments of:
- Electrical and Computer Engineering
- Mechanical and Mechatronics Engineering
- Systems Design Engineering
Collaboration with faculties of:
Engineering and Science

QUANTUM INFORMATION
The Institute for quantum computing offers graduate students unique opportunities to learn and engage in world-leading research in quantum information through a wide range of advanced research projects and advanced courses on the foundations, applications and implementation of quantum information processing.

Look for MASc and PhD Collaborative programs in Quantum Information in the Departments of:
- Electrical and Computer Engineering
Collaboration with faculties of:
Engineering, Mathematics and Science.

AERONAUTICS
Supported by all 6 faculties and the industry and government network of the Waterloo Institute for Sustainable Aeronautics, the Collaborative Aeronautics Program (CAP) is an entirely new approach to Masters and Doctoral studies in aeronautics.

Look for MASc and PhD Collaborative programs in Aeronautics in the Departments of:
- Systems Design Engineering
- Electrical and Computer Engineering
Investing time and effort into your search and connecting with potential supervisors prior to applying will give you a strong start.

**WHEN DO I NEED A SUPERVISOR?**

- Course-based programs (MEng/MMSc/MBET) do not require a supervisor.
- No supervisor is required at the application stage for research-based programs (MASc or PhD). However, a supervisor is needed to receive an offer of admission. You can contact them before or after applying.
- For the MArch, the research subject is selected by the student, and a supervisor will be selected after completing at least one term of study.

**FIND YOUR RESEARCH AND SUPERVISOR**

**OPTION 1: SEARCH BY DEPARTMENT**

When looking for a supervisor, check the research areas by department or school. Once you identify an area of interest, click to find a list of supervisors. Then, click on the name of a supervisor to view their profile and contact information. Check the last paragraph of their profile page to find out if they are accepting graduate students.

- Chemical Engineering
- Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Electrical and Computer Engineering
- Mechanical and Mechatronics Engineering
- Management Science and Engineering
- Systems Design Engineering
- School of Architecture
- Conrad School of Entrepreneurship and Business

**OPTION 2: SEARCH BY RESEARCH AREA**

Waterloo Engineering researchers are driving innovative discoveries that are advancing knowledge and improving lives globally. Access Waterloo Engineering’s faculty database to search for a specific supervisor or research area of expertise.

- Engineering Research

**NO ANSWER FROM ANY SUPERVISOR BEFORE APPLYING?**

No worries! Go ahead with the application and optionally indicate the supervisors you would like to work with. All professors will have access to your application.
As a Waterloo Engineering graduate student, you’ll study topics and conduct research that matters in industry and beyond, learning from the experts exploring the latest innovations.

RESEARCH CENTRES AND INSTITUTES

Centres and institutes are established in areas where Waterloo has extraordinary research strengths and anticipates extraordinary results.

› Centre for Advanced Materials Joining
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› Cybersecurity and Privacy Institute (CPI)
› Institute for Polymer Research (IPR)

Our buildings include multi-media teaching facilities and world-class research laboratories. We’re home to the largest cluster of supercomputers in all of Canada, our machine shop is one of the best equipped among Canadian universities, and our nanotechnology labs are furnished with the latest equipment and technology.

Our latest building, Engineering 7 (E7), is a state-of-the-art facility with RoboHub for autonomous and robotic vehicle research. This dedicated research space, coupled with entrepreneurial support areas, brings a wealth of new opportunities and resources for graduate students like you.

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A WORLDWIDE REPUTATION FOR RESEARCH

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

Research sub-areas span all aspects of communications and information systems from theory to practice, including information theory, stochastic processes, statistical signal processing, coding and network codes, multimedia compression, pseudorandom sequences, cryptography, signal and image processing, digital communications, spread spectrum communications, wireless communications, wireless/Internet networking, broadband networks, optical networks, cooperative and cognitive networks, multiple-input multiple-output (MIMO) systems, space-time communications, wireless security, and communication security.

BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING AND BIOTECHNOLOGY

The Centre of Bioengineering and Biotechnology improves human health with strong links with local hospitals, industry, municipalities, and other universities.

AUTOMOTIVE AND INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS

Waterloo’s Centre for Automotive Research is the largest automotive-academic enterprise in Canada with over 125 researchers. In related work, the newly-founded Waterloo Artificial Intelligence Institute is focusing on foundational artificial intelligence with applications in transportation by means of autonomous vehicles, machine learning and beyond.

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI)

The real-world potential of AI is limitless. Engineering researchers are developing intelligent systems that can detect cancer and heart disease, understand language and emotion, and navigate roadways and factories better than ever before. Our focus on researching key AI technologies, and the foundational breakthroughs to make them a reality, will accelerate innovation in this space.

ENERGY AND INFRASTRUCTURE

The Waterloo Institute for Sustainable Energy works closely with industry, government, and the non-profit sector to shape public attitudes, inform energy policies, and improve quality of life around the globe.

NANOTECHNOLOGY

Researchers in the Waterloo Institute for Nanotechnology collaborate across nine disciplines to discover and create innovation in nanobiosystems, nano-electronics, nano-instrumentation and nano-materials.
**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Check specific admission requirements by your program of interest: minimum GPA, application materials (resume, supplementary information form, transcripts), number and type of references, GRE (if applicable) and ELP (if applicable).

**APPLICATION DEADLINES**

Application deadlines are six months before the beginning of the term you would like to start your program. Most of the programs start every four months, but a few start only in the September/Fall term.

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

**INTERNATIONAL ADMISSION EQUIVALENCES**

- **ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY (ELP)**
- **ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS (EFAS)**

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**DID YOU KNOW...**

- If you applied for a direct entry co-op program and are not admitted, you may be considered for admission to the regular course-based master’s program.
- You can transfer from MEng to MASc if you find a supervisor.
- You can transfer from MASc to the PhD.
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**HOW TO APPLY**

Join the ranks of elite Waterloo Engineering graduate students:

1. **EXPLORE OUR PROGRAMS**
   - Waterloo Engineering is continually creating innovative new programs and specializations. Find out about our new and existing programs, departments and schools online.

2. **REVIEW ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**
   - Each program has specific admission requirements, so be sure to explore your program of interest on the Graduate Studies and Postdoctoral Affairs site to find this information.

3. **UPLOAD DOCUMENTS AND APPLY**
   - Understand the types of admission, the requirements for English language proficiency, application documents, supervisor and references. Then, upload your documents using Quest and apply using our online graduate application system.

You may also choose to contact professors in your research areas to know about potential opportunities for MASc and PhD, prior to or after applying. However, you are not obliged to do this, all professors will have access to the applications.

**SEE PAGES 14-15**
**FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

Funding is available from many sources including scholarships, awards, teaching assistantships and government agency fellowships and awards.

**GUARANTEED MINIMUM FUNDING**

All full-time students in the MASc and PhD programs are guaranteed a minimum level of funding while they are within their program time limits and in good academic standing. You will use this to pay your tuition and then the rest, if applicable, will be deposited into your bank account.

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<td>PhD (from a complete Master’s)</td>
<td>12 terms (4 years)</td>
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<td>PhD (directly from a Bachelor’s)</td>
<td>16 terms (5 years)</td>
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<td>6 terms (2 years)</td>
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**ADDITIONAL TO THE MINIMUM FUNDING**

Graduate Teaching Assistantships (TA) and Graduate Research Assistantships (RA) are available to selected students and are paid on top of any awards and scholarships they are already receiving.

**GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIPS (TA)**

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*Rates assume 10 hours per week for 16 weeks during a term, paid for by the hiring department.

**GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS (RA)**

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**WATERLOO AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

Use the GSPA awards database to learn more about financial support provided by the University of Waterloo. Find entrance awards, scholarships and faculty/departmental level awards.

**ENTRANCE AWARDS**

**ENGINEERING DEAN’S ENTRANCE AWARD (DEA)**

Valued at $5,000 these awards are for Canadian Citizens or Permanent Residents applicants of full-time MASc and PhD programs with an academic average of min. 85%. See all details and conditions.

**PROVOST DOCTORAL ENTRANCE AWARD – WOMEN (PDEAW)**

Valued at $5,000. Eligible Doctoral students must have a minimum first-class (80%*) standing, as well as an outstanding record of research accomplishments and/or references citing significant future potential in research. Limited budget is available.

**INDIGENOUS AND BLACK ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY MOMENTUM FELLOWSHIP (IBET)**

Valued at $30,000 per year. Available annually for doctoral Canadian Citizens or Permanent residents of Canada that identify as Indigenous or Black.

**Budgeting**

Budgeting is one of the most important factors when it comes to planning your graduate studies.

**TUITION**

Tuition fees are assessed based on your domestic residency status or international immigration status.

**STUDY AND LIVING COSTS**

The Waterloo Region is an exciting place to live. Enjoy the amenities of a big city without the big-city costs. Approximate cost of living information is available online.

**BUDGET CALCULATOR**

Use this tuition calculator to estimate your costs and resources.
EXTERNAL AWARDS
- Canada Graduate Scholarship – Master’s program (CGS M): Tri-Agency (NSERC, SSHRC, CIHR): $17,500/year for 1 year.
- Canada Graduate Scholarships – Doctoral program (CGS D): Tri-Agency (NSERC, SSHRC, CIHR): $35,000/year for 3 years.
- NSERC Post-graduate Scholarships – Doctoral program (PGS D): $21,000/year value for 2-3 years.
- Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarship: $50,000/year for 5 years.
- Ontario Graduate Scholarship (OGS) and the Queen Elizabeth II Graduate Scholarship in Science and Technology (QEII-GSST): $15,000/year for 1 year.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT
- INTERNATIONAL DOCTORAL STUDENT AWARD (IDSA): $15,420/year for 4 years
  An IDSA will be provided automatically to all international students who are registered full-time in a doctoral program. The value is approximate to the difference in tuition between domestic and international full-time PhD students. The award's value and duration vary depending on multiple factors. Please review the details carefully.
- INTERNATIONAL MASTER AWARD OF EXCELLENCE (IMAE): $2,500/term for max. 5 terms
  The IMAE will be awarded to a small number of selected international research master’s students who meet the eligibility criteria. The Faculty will nominate eligible students based on the Faculty’s award allocation. Students will be selected based on academic excellence as demonstrated through their application for admission to the graduate program.

INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS AND SPONSORSHIPS
Find the numerous agreements we have with institutions abroad. If you are applying for graduate studies under one of these formal agreements, please review Waterloo’s sponsorship requirements which are an important part of your application process.

BEYOND YOUR ACADEMIC PROGRAM

ATHLETICS, RECREATION, AND WELLNESS
One thing is certain: we have serious fun here. The student experience at Waterloo Engineering goes far beyond work, lectures and studying. We have an exciting and energetic community of students who love to work hard and play even harder. You can race a dragon boat, join a varsity team or become a leader – whatever your interest, you’ll be in good company. Find academic success and develop your career while maintaining physical and mental well-being. Visit our graduate page for more information about varsity sports, intramurals and other recreational activities on campus.

SUPPORT FOR SUCCESS
The University of Waterloo supports you with a large group of services designed to help you to succeed. Explore the multiple workshops, training sessions, conferences, certificates and experience-driven programs available at UWaterloo that can help you to develop your career path.

FOCUS ON ONE CAREER PATH, OR EXPLORE THEM ALL
We encourage our graduate students to go beyond their program’s degree and milestones to explore where their studies can take them. Whether you pursue a career in Academia, Industry or want to build your own start-up, Waterloo Engineering has supportive programs to help get you there.

WOMEN IN ENGINEERING (WIE)
Women in Engineering (WiE) supports current female engineers and students while encouraging the next generation of women to pursue careers in engineering.

CLUBS AND ASSOCIATIONS
65,000 SQUARE FOOT FIELD HOUSE with recreation facilities
2,500+ FITNESS CLASSES each year and
100+ VARSITY TEAMS
45+ ENTREPRENEURIAL SUPPORT PROGRAMS AT WATERLOO
40+ PROGRAMS, PITCH CONTESTS, PROBLEM LABS, MICRO FUNDING and more
Kitchener/Waterloo is among the top 20 start-up ecosystems in the world. We are home to some of Canada’s largest tech companies, global think tanks, and innovation hubs, with brands like Google, SAP, Oracle NetSuite, Shopify and many others making the move to Kitchener/Waterloo. Our city has an entrepreneurial spirit that continues to propel us in the creation and development of new ideas. Rest assured, the Waterloo community has an incredible quality of life.

**WATERLOO EDC, 2023**

**FASTEST**

- **20%+** Visible Minority population
- **1,570+** Tech companies located in Waterloo Region
- **600,000** People and growing
- **50%+** Waterloo residents have a college/university qualification
- **5.5%** Growth rate (higher than the Canadian average)

**WATERLOO CAMPUS**

The main University of Waterloo campus is located in the city of Waterloo, Ontario. Approximately 1 ½ hours (by car) outside of Toronto. This is home to most of our Engineering programs and facilities including state-of-the-art research and teaching labs, media labs, collaborative spaces and great coffee!

**SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE**

Located in Cambridge, Ontario. Approximate 40 min. (by car) from Waterloo.

Also, The University of Waterloo School of Architecture is the only Canadian school of architecture to have a permanent international facility in Rome, Italy.

**OTHER CAMPUS:**

- Health Sciences Campus in Kitchener, Ontario. Includes the School of Pharmacy and the McMaster/Waterloo DeGroote School of Medicine.
- School of Interaction Design and Business in Stratford, Ontario. Offers our Global Business and Digital Arts program.
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL TERRITORY

The University of Waterloo acknowledges that much of our work takes place on the traditional territory of the Neutral, Anishinaabe, and Haudenosaunee peoples. Our main campus is situated on the Haldimand Tract, the land granted to the Six Nations that includes six miles on each side of the Grand River. Our active work toward reconciliation takes place across our campuses through research, learning, teaching and community building, and is co-ordinated within the Office of Indigenous Relations.