THE DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY AND PLANNING  
Master’s and Doctoral Programs in Geography  
&  
SCHOOL OF THE ENVIRONMENT  
Collaborative Specialization in Environment and Health (CSEH)

COLLABORATIVE SPECIALISATION REQUIREMENTS FOR  
MASTER (MA) OF ARTS, MASTER (MSc) OF SCIENCE, AND  
DOCTOR (PHD) OF PHILOSOPHY IN GEOGRAPHY  

Effective Date: September 2020

Concerning specific requirements for master’s and doctoral degree students registered in the Department of Geography and Planning and in the Collaborative Specialization in Environment and Health (CSEH) at the School of the Environment.

Master's degrees (MA and MSc) in Geography (Thesis Option)

Masters students in these degree programs must complete a total of 1.5 full-course equivalents (FCEs) in the home department, including the core course (GGR1105H for MA and GGR1200H for MSc). At least 1.0 FCEs of the elective courses taken towards the MA or MSc degree program must be in the area of the Collaborative Specialization in Environment and Health (CSEH) as follows:

- Take the mandatory core course ENV 4001H, plus one half-credit course elective from the approved list of courses at School of the Environment.
- Write a thesis in the home unit on an environment and health topic or include an environment and health component.

It is recommended that each thesis committee will require a supervisor from the student’s home department and at least one other member from another graduate unit, both of whom are also members of graduate faculty in the School of the Environment. If your supervisor is not a graduate faculty member of the School of the Environment, please contact the School’s Graduate Student Advisor at grad.office.env@utoronto.ca.

A digital copy of the final thesis must be submitted to the School of the Environment prior to convocation.

NOTE: The CSEH coursework requirements may be counted as electives towards the MA or MSc degree program requirements.

Master's degrees (MA and MSc) in Geography (Major Research Paper Option)

Masters students in these degree programs must complete a total of 3.0 full-course equivalents
(FCEs) in the home department, including the core course (GGR1105H for MA and GGR1200H for MSc). At least 1.0 FCEs of the elective courses taken towards the MA or MSc degree program must be in the area of the Collaborative Specialization in Environment and Health (CSEH) as follows:

- Take the mandatory core course ENV 4001H, plus one half-credit course elective from the approved list of courses at School of the Environment.
- Write a “Major Research Paper” (GGR 1100Y) in the home unit on an environment and health topic or include an environment and health component.

A digital copy of the final major research paper must be submitted to the School of the Environment prior to convocation.

NOTE: The CSEH coursework requirements may be counted as electives towards the MA or MSc degree program requirements.

**Doctor (PhD) of Philosophy (Physical Geography Option)**

Doctoral students in this degree program must complete a minimum of 1.5 full-course equivalents (FCEs) in the home department, including:

- The mandatory core course ENV 4001H (0.5 FCE), unless already taken at the master’s level, plus one half-credit (0.5 FCE) course elective from the School of the Environment list of courses.
- The thesis written in the home unit towards the PhD degree program must be on an environment and health topic or include and environment and health component.
- In addition, all PhD students are required to give an oral presentation of their doctoral research as part of the School’s Environment and Health Seminar Series or Research Day, which is held once per year. For the latter, the oral presentation may or may not be done in conjunction with a summary poster, depending on the decided format of the School’s Research Day in any given year.

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NOTE: The CSEH coursework requirements may be counted as electives towards the doctoral degree program requirements.

**Doctor (PhD) of Philosophy (Human Geography Option)**

Doctoral students in this degree program must complete a minimum of 3.0 full-course equivalents (FCEs) in the home department, including:
• The mandatory core course ENV 4001H (0.5 FCE), unless already taken at the master's level, plus one half-credit (0.5 FCE) course elective from the School of the Environment list of courses.

• The thesis written in the home unit towards the PhD degree program must be on an environment and health topic or include an environment and health component.

• In addition, all PhD students are required to give an oral presentation of their doctoral research as part of the School’s Environment and Health Seminar Series or Research Day, which is held once per year. For the latter, the oral presentation may or may not be done in conjunction with a summary poster, depending on the decided format of the School’s Research Day in any given year.

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NOTE: The CSEH coursework requirements may be counted as electives towards the doctoral degree program requirements.