COLLABORATIVE SPECIALISATION REQUIREMENTS FOR
MASTER (MScPl) OF SCIENCE IN PLANNING, AND
DOCTOR (PHD) OF PHILOSOPHY IN PLANNING

Effective Date: September 2020

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

**Master (MScPl) of Science in Planning**

Masters students in this degree program must complete a total of 8.0 full-course equivalents (FCEs) in the home department. At least 30% (2.5 FCEs) of the courses taken towards the MScPl degree program must be in the area of the Collaborative Specialization in Environment and Health (CSEH) as follows:

- Take 1.0 FCEs, including the mandatory core course ENV 4001H, plus one half-credit course elective from the approved list of courses at School of the Environment.
- The remaining 1.5 FCEs can be satisfied through some combination of coursework as follows: the “Internship in Planning” (PLA 4444H) and the “Current Issues Paper” (PLA 1107Y) shall count towards CSEH requirements provided they will include an environment and health related component, which will meet the 30% requirement for CSEH. Alternatively, students can take additional ENV courses, including an “Individual Research Course” (ENV3000H), or additional PLA courses that are formally cross-listed with the School of the Environment.

A digital copy of the final 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 master’s degree program requirements.

**Doctor (PhD) of Philosophy in Planning**

Doctoral students in this degree program must complete a total 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 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.

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 doctoral degree program requirements.