

FRAN GRADUATE INFORMATION NIGHT

Wednesday, October 2nd, 2019

5:30-6:50pm

MINS 106



UNIVERSITY
of GUELPH

COLLEGE *of* SOCIAL AND
APPLIED HUMAN SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY RELATIONS
AND APPLIED NUTRITION

INTRODUCTIONS

- **Dr. Tricia van Rhijn** – Graduate Coordinator
- **Shauna Porter** – Graduate Program Assistant
- **Melissa Turner** – Academic Program Administrator

WHY CHOOSE GRAD SCHOOL?

- Do you enjoy reading and writing?
- Do you love to explore ideas, solve problems, and research the possibilities?
- Do you want to further your career plans or options?

OVERVIEW OF FRAN GRADUATE PROGRAMS

- Masters of Applied Nutrition (MAN)

 - MSc
 - Applied Human Nutrition
 - Family Relations and Human Development
 - Couple and Family Therapy

 - PhD
 - Applied Human Nutrition
 - Family Relations and Human Development
- *Did you no that you can apply to multiple programs?*

HOW TO APPLY

- Choose the program(s) you want to apply to
- Contact faculty in that program area (this does not apply to MAN and CFT applicants)
- Review admission requirements, overview of application process and supplementary materials checklist for the program you are applying to on our website
- Complete the [University of Guelph Online Application](#) (\$110)
- Assemble all supplementary documents
- Upload all required documents to WebAdvisor prior to the deadline date

<http://www.uoguelph.ca/family/how-apply>

SUCCESSFUL APPLICATIONS

- Start early!
- Establish working relationships with faculty members
- Order your transcripts early (University of Guelph undergraduates do not need to order transcripts for University of Guelph programs)
- Order EDI transcripts for Canadian Universities from OUAC (\$12 each)

FRAN ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Minimum cumulative average of 75% over the last two years (20 courses/10.0 credits) of study
 - Specific course requirements can be found [here](#)
 - Minimum 75% (AHN, FRHD and MAN) or 70% (CFT) in research methods and statistics
 - Research interests compatible with one or more [graduate faculty members](#)
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- **Note.** Required courses may be in progress at the time of application as long as they will be completed by the end of the winter semester.

CALCULATING YOUR AVERAGE FOR ADMISSION

- Last two years of full-time equivalent study (or 4 semesters of study)
- We do not split a semester
- We will not consider fewer than 16 credits
- You are asked to self-determine your average on your application

REFERENCES

- You must provide two **academic** references (an additional professional reference is required for CFT applicants)
- You must submit your referees contact information including email addresses when completing your online application. Referees will automatically receive a request electronically. **Please ensure you enter the correct email address.**
- Speak with your referees early!
- Ensure that your referees are able to complete your reference before the application deadline.
- Although referees are required to complete their references letters online, providing your referees with the [Reference Assessment Form](#) ahead of time allows them to prepare a stronger reference letter.
- MAN applicants are also required to submit a **Confidential Personal Reference for MAN Application**. This must be completed by an employer or registered dietitian who knows how you perform in a work environment. This form must be submitted directly from the referee to fran.graduate@uoguelph.ca or emailed to the department in a signed/sealed envelope.

STATEMENT OF INTENT

- A 1-2 page statement indicating: reasons for pursuing graduate study, intended area of emphasis within the graduate program, area of your research interest and your post-graduate plans.
- This statement must be concise and indicate how your research interests are closely related to one or more faculty member's expertise and current research program. ***Clearly identify all faculty members*** whom you wish to see your application.
- This statement replaces the OUAC "Academic Intent" section. Therefore on the OUAC application you may write "Please refer to Statement of Intent". No further information is required in this section of the application.

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS

You will need to upload the following to WebAdvisor:

- Copy of all transcripts
- Complete the application [Cover Page](#) and upload as Supplementary Document
 - The Cover Page lists all previous education, overall self-declared average, required courses and faculty members whom you wish to review your application
- Statement of Intent – Upload as Statement of Research
- CV – Upload as Resume/CV

Your application will not be complete until all required documents are uploaded. This ***MUST*** be completed before the specified deadline.

DEADLINES

Couple and Family Therapy (CFT)

OUAC Deadline: Monday, November 25, 2019

WebAdvisor Deadline: Monday, December 9, 2019

Master of Applied Nutrition (MAN)

OUAC Deadline: Friday, December 13, 2019

WebAdvisor Deadline: Thursday, January 2, 2020

Family Relations and Human Development (FRHD) & Applied Human Nutrition (AHN)

OUAC Deadline: Monday, January 6, 2020

WebAdvisor Deadline: Monday, January 20, 2020

DEADLINES

- We encourage applicants to apply early...do NOT wait until the last minute.
- Applying early will give you more time to apply for awards and scholarships.

FUNDING YOUR GRADUATE STUDIES

- The [Office of Graduate & Postdoctoral Studies](#) is a great resource for funding information

Internal Awards

- College Awards, Department Awards (most of them you do not apply for)
- GTA, GRA, GSA positions

External Awards

- [Ontario Graduate Scholarship](#) (OGS)
- [Canadian Graduate Scholarships - Masters](#) (CGS-M)
 - Social Science and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC)
 - Canadian Institute of Health Research (CIHR)
 - Natural Science of Engineering Research Council (NSERC)
- [SSHRC Doctoral](#)
- [CIHR Doctoral](#)
- [NSERC Doctoral](#)

GRADUATE STUDIES PREVIEW DAY

Saturday, October 19, 2019

10:00am-1:00pm

University Centre Courtyard

Great resource for all departments on campus who are
accepting Graduate Studies

CONTACT INFORMATION

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BREAKOUT SESSIONS

AHN and MAN

MINS 106

FRHD

MINS 101

CFT

MINS 103

Please note that class begins at 7:00pm and therefore sessions must end by 6:50pm

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS FOLLOWING UP FROM 2019 SESSION:

1. What if you have been out of school for a few years? Could you have additional letters from a professional source?
 - You can submit an additional professional reference however, it is not guaranteed that it will be reviewed. Two academic references are preferred, but if you have been out of school for a number of years, exceptions may be made.
2. Do CFT applicants who are interested in doing the thesis-based degree contact potential advisors prior to applying?
 - Yes, only CFT applicants who are considering applying to the thesis route are encouraged to contact potential advisors; CFT applicants who are planning to do the typical, major research paper route do not contact faculty ahead of applying.