

Program Goals

The Collaborative Program in Women's Health provides interdisciplinary training in women's health research and practice for both Masters and Doctoral students at the University of Toronto.

The Collaborative Program is designed to:

- Help students develop shared understandings of the complex interactions of biology and environment, sex and gender;
- Provide students with the necessary skill set to undertake and lead interdisciplinary, collaborative health care research projects;
- Enhance mutually beneficial relationships among researchers and practitioners of women's health across the University and its affiliated teaching hospitals.

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Questions?

Please ask.

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Program Structure and Requirements

Masters and doctoral students enrolled in the Collaborative Program will be encouraged to build relationships with peers and with Program faculty that reach across disciplinary boundaries. In addition to their home graduate unit supervisor (referred to by the Program as their primary mentor), students will identify a co-mentor, a faculty member of the Collaborative Program whose own methodologies represent a different approach than that used by the student's primary mentor.

The Director, Faculty and staff will be available to advise students on University of Toronto learning experiences that will help them build interdisciplinary skills and that are appropriate for their course of study and to women's health.

Both Masters and Doctoral students enrolled in the Program must:

- Complete the core course, CHL 5109H Gender and Health;
- Participate in at least 6 of the 8 monthly Student Research Seminar Series;
- Participate in a yearly Women's Health Graduate Student Research Day;
- Develop a plan of study with guidance from their mentors that will assist them in building interdisciplinary research skills in

women's health; both mentors must sign this plan;

- Doctoral students (and Masters students whose home unit requires a written project) must choose a topic relevant to women's health in consultation with their mentors.

Doctoral students who completed the core course while doing their Masters degree are not required to take it again.

Admission Requirements

Students enrolling in the Program may be pursuing either a Masters or Doctoral level degree. Students must be registered with the School of Graduate Studies through a home graduate unit before applying to the Program and must comply with the admission procedures of that unit. In addition, students should submit the following for the review of the Program Committee:

- A completed application form;
- Photocopies of all application materials submitted to their home unit;
- A 1-page personal statement describing their relevant experiences and interests.

Transcript Notation

Upon completion of the requirements of the Program, students receive the notation "Completed the Collaborative Program in Women's Health" on their transcripts.

For more details including a downloadable application form visit www.womensresearch.ca/graduate

Participating Graduate

Units

- Anthropology
- Dentistry
- English
- Exercise Sciences
- Health Policy, Management, and Evaluation
- Immunology
- Information Studies
- Institute of Medical Science
- Nursing Science
- Nutritional Sciences
- Occupational Science & Occupational Therapy
- Pharmacology
- Philosophy
- Psychology
- Public Health Sciences
- Rehabilitation Sciences
- Religion
- The Centre for Girls' and Women's Health and Physical Education
- Women and Gender Studies Institute
- International Programme on Reproductive & Sexual Health Law

The Collaborative Program in Women's Health is supported by the **Women's College Research Institute (WCRI)**. We work to facilitate a collaborative, interdisciplinary women's health research community at the University of Toronto and to train the next generation of researchers in the practices of partnership. Our ultimate goal:

Research that improves women's lives.