Policy Studies
PhD

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The PhD in Policy Studies is the first and only interdisciplinary doctoral program of its kind in Canada. The program is designed to prepare a new generation of researchers for positions in academe and the public, non-profit and private sectors at the local, regional, national and international levels.

**Research Areas**
- Immigration, Settlement and Diaspora Policies
- Public Policy and Administration
- Social Policy

**Sample Courses**
- Advanced Qualitative Research
- Foundations of Quantitative Research
- Immigration, Settlement and Diaspora Policies
- Policy Theories and Approaches
- Public Policy and Administration
- Research Foundations for Policy Studies
- Social Policy
- Statistical Analysis of Social Science Research

**Admissions Information**

**PhD**
- Completion of a master’s degree in a social sciences discipline (or equivalent)
- Minimum grade point average (GPA) or equivalent of 3.33/4.33 (B+) in the last two years of study
- Three letters of recommendation
- Work sample
- Resumé

Applicants may be required to provide certification of English language proficiency. For more information, visit ryerson.ca/graduate/futurestudents/admissions/english-language.html.

**Resources**
- Downtown Toronto location
- Interdisciplinary faculty
- Strong government and NGO connections

**At a Glance**

\[ \geq \$15K \]
- funding available over three years (fourth-year funding available depending on progress)

\[ \sim 2:1 \]
- student-faculty ratio

\[ \sim 1:1 \]
- student-conference attendance ratio

\[ \sim 1:1 \]
- student-publication ratio

\[ \geq 4 \]
- SSHRC student grants awarded in two years
“The Policy Studies program allowed me to acquire a solid foundation in research methodology, and strengthen my critical understanding of immigration and settlement policies, trends and debates in Canada and beyond.”

– Marc Y. Valade, PhD student