Department/Academic Unit: Graduate Program in Civil Engineering

Degree Level Expectations, Learning Outcomes, Indicators of Achievement and the Program Requirements that Support the Learning Outcomes

Degree Program: M.ASc

Expectations	Learning Outcomes	Indicators of Achievement	Relevant Courses and academic requirements
Depth and breadth of knowledge	To gain specialized knowledge in one of the four Civil Engineering sub-disciplines (Environmental, Geotechnical, Hydrotechnical, or Structural Engineering)	Successful performance in four (4) graduate level courses in Civil Engineering, A thorough understanding of the current state of the art and practice in the sub-discipline related to student's area of research, The ability to communicate and debate with experts in a specialized Civil Engineering topics relating to the student's chosen sub-discipline Thesis research	Academic requirements for the MASc degree include four (4) graduate level courses, a well written thesis, and finally an oral MASc defense.
Research and scholarship	The development of critical evaluation skills to critically review the literature in the area of professional competence, and the suitability of experimental or numerical techniques currently used in advanced research and scholarship. Working knowledge of one or more highly specialized techniques in the area of professional competence (laboratory techniques, physical or numerical modeling, field monitoring, etc.) The development of problem solving techniques in the context of economic decision making, legal constraints, codes of practice, and health and safety.		It is expected that the dissertation research will lead to original research which has the potential of meriting publication.

Application of Knowledge	Competence in the research process by applying an existing body of knowledge in the critical analysis of a new question or of a specific problem or issue in a new setting	Thesis research	Thesis research Projects in Graduate Courses
Professional capacity/autonomy	The qualities and transferable skills necessary for employment training including the exercise of initiative and of personal responsibility accountability; and Decision-making in complex situations; and	Thesis research	Thesis research CIVL801 – "Health and Safety in Civil Engineering Research"
	The intellectual independence required for continuing professional development; The ethical behaviour consistent with academic integrity and the use of appropriate guidelines and procedures for responsible conduct of research; and		
	The ability to appreciate the broader implications of applying knowledge to particular contexts The appreciation of the importance of Workplace Health and Safety		
Communication Skills	The ability to communicate ideas, issues, and conclusions clearly in both oral and written communication.	Successful performance in oral presentations during graduate courses, research group meetings, and conference presentations (if possible) Successful performance in technical writing, as measured by readability of dissertation	Thesis and oral defense, Graduate course presentations and term projects

Awareness of limits of	An awareness of the approximations	A thorough discussion of the	Thesis research
knowledge	within the relevant analytical models used	limitations of the research,	
	in the research or commonly assumed in	methodology, and current state of	
	practice within the student's chosen sub-	knowledge within the thesis	
	discipline, the idealisations and	document.	
	simplifications in boundary conditions		
	adopted in the field, laboratory, or		
	numerical modeling research undertaken,		
	and the simplifications or idealisations		
	used to simplify material behavior or the		
	engineering system to achieve the		
	research outcome.		