Graduate Diploma in Engineering Leadership and Innovation

April 15, 2021





Program Structure (Requirements)

Core Courses (required)

- ENGSCI 9331 Design Driven Innovation (New course, based on ENGSCI 3331)
- ENGSCI 9480 Engineering Leadership (New course, Based on ENGSCI 4480)
- ENGSCI 9670 Engineering Communications (Existing)

Elective Courses (3 courses to choose)

- Group A Leadership Focused
 - ENGSCI 9185 Risk Assessment & Management (Existing)
 - ENGSCI 9501 Business and Management: A Global Perspective (Existing)
 - ENGSCI 9510 Project Management (Existing)
- Group B Innovation Focused
 - ENGSCI 9010 Intellectual Property for Engineers (Existing)
 - ENGSCI 9015 Commercializing Innovation (Existing)
 - ENGSCI 9330 New Venture Creation (New course, based on ENGSCI 3330)
- Students may choose to focus in one area or explore breadth through elective courses



Program Structure

Program Design

- > Full-time or part-time study
- Course-based

Program Length

- ➤ 2 Terms (8 months) for full-time students
- ➤ Part-time students would be expected to complete the Diploma within three years of starting the program and to register for at least one course every two academic terms
- ➤ MEng students who start the ELI Diploma program after completing the MEng degree may be eligible to receive an exemption of up to 2 elective Diploma courses, provided that they have successfully completed them as Professional courses during their MEng program.

How to Apply

> Applications are submitted online via: https://grad.uwo.ca/admissions/apply.html

Program Website

https://www.eng.uwo.ca/tc/graduate/graduate-diploma.html



Application Dates

International Students

☐ Fall Term

> Start date: October 01

➤ End Date: February 01

☐Winter Term

> Start date: February 01

> End Date: June 01

□Summer Term

> Start date: June 01

> End Date: October 01

Domestic Students

☐ Fall Term

➤ Start date: April 01

> End Date: July 01

☐Winter Term

> Start date: August 01

End Date: November 01

□Summer Term

> Start date: December 01

> End Date: March 01



Combined MEng-Diploma Option

- The option is currently going through final approvals
- To be offered to MEng students at Western
- It is a 4-term program
 - > Students are required to complete 8 technical courses or 6 technical courses and a project
 - > Students are required to complete 2 professional courses, which are cross-listed as GDip elective courses
 - ➤ Students are required to complete 4 courses of the GDip program (3 core courses and one elective course)
- Upon successful completion of the courses, students will get an MEng degree and a Graduate Diploma (Engineering Leadership and Innovation)
- MEng Students started in Fall 2020 or after would be given the opportunity to register in this option
- New applicants would be able to choose the Combined MEng-GDip option in their application



Western International

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Post-graduation Work Permit-PGWP

"One time" gift for international students to gain Canadian work experience

An **OPEN** work permit

- You do not need a job offer to apply.
- You can work for any employer.
- You can work anywhere in Canada.
- You can work at any jobs.
- The job does not need to be related to your degree.





You are eligible for a PGWP if you meet ALL of the following criteria...

A valid study permit at some point during the 180 days

• You have 180 days to apply for PGWP after school issues your final marks

Completed a study program

- at an eligible DLI
- at least 8 months long
- leading to a degree, diploma or certificate

Maintained full-time student status

- except final session, which can be part-time
- or leave of absence (case by case)

Received final transcripts AND a PGWP letter

- from Registrar's Office
- *Don't let your status expire--Your study permit expires on the date marked on the permit **or** 90 days after the day you complete your studies, **whichever comes first.**
 - Apply for a visitor record to stay in Canada longer
 - Leave Canada and apply for a PGWP from outside of Canada





You are not eligible for a PGWP if you...

Already received a PGWP

• Except you didn't receive a full length of PGWP due to your passport expiry date

Studied English or French as a second language

Or took general interest or self-improvement courses

Participated in or are a recipient of the following awards/scholarships:

- Global Affairs Canada (GAC)
- Government of Canada Awards Program funded by GAC
- Equal Opportunity Scholarship, Canada–Chile
- Canada–China Scholars' Exchange Program
- Organization of American States Fellowships Program

Completed the majority of a study program by distance learning

• Online courses, e-learning or correspondence

Completed a study program at a non-Canadian institution located in Canada

• Regardless of the length of stay in Canada





Length of the PGWP

Students may be eligible for a Work Permit that is valid for up to 3 years (depending on the length of their <u>program</u> of study).

Official length of program	PGWP validity
< 8 months	NOT ELIGIBLE
> 8 months & < 2 years	Up to the same length as your program
2 years or more	3 years
a 16-23 month, full-time graduate program with no breaks	*A PGWP may be issued for 3 years
Two PGWP-eligible programs completed within 2 years	PGWP may combine the length of each program



Work full-time after you submit PGWP application

- Had a valid study permit when you submitted your PGWP application
- Completed your study program
- Were eligible to work off-campus without a work permit while studying
- Didn't work more hours than you were allowed to

You must stop working the day you are notified by IRCC that your application is refused.



International Student Advising Winter 2021 (virtual)

- Book appointments with an International Student Advisor at: iesc.uwo.ca/remote/appointment.html
- Immigration Services <u>iesc.uwo.ca/visas</u>
- Presentations on Study Permits, Post Graduation Work Permit, and more can be found at iesc.uwo.ca/remote/resources.html
- Immigration workshops <u>events.westernu.ca/</u>
- Covid-19 FAQ <u>iesc.uwo.ca/COVID-19-FAQs.html</u>
- Financial Assistance <u>iesc.uwo.ca/finaid</u>
- Spouse and Family Support <u>iesc.uwo.ca/student life/your family</u>
- iWellness Website <u>iwellness.uwo.ca</u>
- Email us iesc@uwo.ca



Questions?