QUALITY IMPROVEMENT & PATIENT SAFETY (QIPS)

MSc

For high-performing healthcare professionals

QIPS is a one-year graduate research degree offered by IHPME in collaboration with the Centre for Quality Improvement and Patient Safety.

QIPS is designed for physicians, nurses, managers and other health care professionals from all sectors in our system. The program prepares students to lead quality improvement and patient safety initiatives within their organizations and across the health system.

Under the expert supervision and mentorship of QIPS’ renowned faculty, students will apply theory to practice, by designing, leading and assessing a quality improvement or patient safety initiative in the workplace.

“ I envisioned that the program would teach me the skills to conduct QI projects. But it is so much more. For me, it has been about seeing patient care through a new and exciting lens. It is about asking the important (and often controversial) questions about our processes and then moving to make improvements through system re-design.”

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> Six half-courses
> One research project practicum
> Two elective credits: one external practicum and one half-course. Or, two half-courses within IHPME

QIPS provides a strong foundation in:
> Systems thinking,
> Improvement science theory and research methods,
> Best practices in quality improvement and patient safety implementation,
> Measurement methods and tools,
> Theory/tools for leading macro, meso and micro-level change.

Reputation
As one of the first graduate programs of its kind in Canada, IHPME QIPS is an academic leader. Faculty members are nationally and internationally recognized for their expertise in improvement science, patient safety, and healthcare leadership.

Position
IHPME is steps away from innovative research institutes, leading academic hospitals, Queen’s Park, the Institute for Clinical Evaluative Sciences (ICES), and the Statistics Canada Research Data Centre. Students cultivate connections with these leading institutions.

Enrichment
QIPS is transdisciplinary, bringing together students from all health professions and sectors to conduct innovative research based on a project that improves health care delivery and patient safety across health care teams. The program offers a diverse and rich learning environment.

Advancement
IHPME is part of an extensive network of healthcare leaders and influencers in Canada and around the world. QIPS graduates become part of this exclusive circle, gaining a lifelong connection to the IHPME community.

The program’s modular format allows professionals to earn their graduate degree in one year without interrupting their careers.

QIPS provided me with a strong foundation of knowledge and practical skills that I use every day in my work as an academic hospital administrator. The program gave me the tools to lead, facilitate and teach others how to implement and sustain healthcare improvements at local and system levels. The curriculum’s collaborative and interprofessional format provides an ideal and rich learning environment. Thank you to the renowned faculty, who are experts in the field of quality improvement and patient safety.

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