

# FIND A SUPERVISOR



If you are applying to a research program offered at the Telfer School of Management, you will need either a project supervisor or a thesis supervisor, depending on the program you are applying to.

## WHEN TO LOOK FOR A SUPERVISOR

You will need to find a potential thesis supervisor **before you apply** to the following programs:

- [MSc MGT - Thesis \(Two-year\)](#)
- [MSc HS - Thesis \(Two-year\)](#)
- [PhD in Management](#)

You will need to start looking for a potential research project supervisor **once you have started** the following program:

- [MSc MGT - Research Project \(One-year\)](#)

## FINDING A SUPERVISOR

**Identify your interests:** Have a clear idea of the field of research you are interested in along with possible research topics. This shows that you are prepared and organized and gives you leverage in convincing a potential supervisor to work with you.

**Get to know the supervisors:** Review the profiles of potential supervisors to determine who may share similar research interests.

### Peruse each professor's profile to:

- Learn about their former research work with graduate students
- Review research papers written by students they have supervised
- Read their authored research work via Google Scholar
- Discover their research focus in articles on the [Telfer Knowledge Hub](#)

### Meet your potential supervisors:

- [MSc in Management](#)
- [MSc in Health Systems](#)
- PhD in Management
  - [Accounting and Control](#)
  - [Entrepreneurship](#)
  - [Finance](#)
  - [Health Systems](#)
  - [Organizational Behaviour and Human Resources](#)
  - [Strategy and Organization](#)

## MEETING A PROFESSOR

### Establish contact with a potential supervisor:

- Prepare an email to introduce yourself in a unique and interesting manner
- Make sure to highlight your research experience and potential.
- Demonstrate that your research interests align
- Include your academic background and resume
- Avoid sending a generic email

### Meet with the professor:

- Set up a meeting to talk with your potential supervisor
- Discuss the possibility of working together
- Share topic ideas
- Ask them questions to establish whether it is a good fit

### Follow up:

- Confirm that the professor agrees to supervise you
- Submit your details to the Telfer Graduate Office
- Confirm availability and a schedule for working together



For more information, please contact:

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