

Report on Program Closures 2020-21¹

Faculty	Program	Unit (if Applicable)	Degree Designation	Type of Modification	Brief Description of Modification	Date of Ceased Admissions (MM/DD/YYYY)	Effective Date (MM/DD/YYYY)
Faculty of Arts and Science	Specialist in Environmental Chemistry	Department of Chemistry	Honours Bachelor of Science	Program closure	The Specialist in Environmental Chemistry is closing and a new Major in the area being created through a separate proposal. In recent years the number of students enrolled in this program has declined significantly. The last University of Toronto Quality Assurance Process (UTQAP) review of the Department of Chemistry identified that students increasingly prefer Major programs, and Specialist students have expressed a desire for a Major program in the area. Following a review of the Specialist's curriculum, the Department suspended admissions in November 2020 to the Specialist, and decided to close the program and create a new Major in Environmental Chemistry that will better accommodate students in combining their study in Environmental Chemistry with another Major in cognate areas. The four active students in the Specialist have been informed it is closing and that they will be supported to complete the program. The School of the Environment is a co-sponsor of the Specialist and is highly supportive of the closure and new Major.	11/1/2020	6/30/2024

¹ See the 2020-21 Major Modification Report for closures of collaborative specializations.

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University of Toronto Mississauga	Specialist in Geocomputational Science	Department of Geography, Geomatics and Environment	Honours Bachelor of Arts	Program closure	<p>The Specialist was launched in 2008 and it combined two fields of study, Geography and Computer Science. The program's purpose was to provide students with a foundation in geographic theory and skills in computer science. The program did not attract student interest and it has had no student enrolment since its launch in 2008. In August 2013, the Department of Geography, Geomatics and Environment administratively suspended the program in order to reassess the program structure, and to consider if the program aligned with the overall mission and long-term plans of the Department. Through internal review it was decided to close the program and focus on its more successful Geographical Information Systems (GIS) Major and Minor programs. Students with a strong interest and aptitude for geographical science, spatial analysis and computer science will be encouraged and supported to explore program pairings in GIS and Computer Science for their degree.</p>	2013	9/1/2021