



Bio

Chris Heysel
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Chris attended Queens University and graduated with an Honours Degree in Chemical Engineering in 1986.

Prior to coming to the University Chris spent 14 years at AECL's Chalk River National Laboratory working at the 135 MW National Research Universal (NRU) research reactor. During his tenure with AECL, Chris held various operations roles at the reactor including Engineering Manager, Technical Section Head and Senior Reactor Shift Engineer.

Chris joined McMaster University as the Director of Nuclear Operations and Facilities in June 2001. As the Director of Nuclear Operations, Chris is responsible for the safe and effective operation of University operated Nuclear Facilities. These facilities include a 5 MW research reactor with isotope production facilities and a currently under-construction guide hall, 3 particle accelerators, a cyclotron production and research facility, a state of the art high level laboratory facility, a large PIE (Post Irradiation Examination) Hot Cell facility and two intense irradiation facilities.