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Dr. Ann English is an outstanding graduate student mentor. A dedicated faculty member in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at Concordia University, she has supervised 32 master's students, 21 Ph.D. students, and 16 postdoctoral researchers. She is actively involved in promoting graduate student research platforms and contributes extensively to fellowship and grant selection committees. Dr. English is "passionate about science and compassionate," writes a former student. "She has a knack for finding an individual's strength and helping to develop it." As Graduate Program Director, Dr. English was responsible for aligning the Chemistry graduate programs with the highest quality programs in the discipline, and for developing and teaching numerous graduate courses. She is a staunch advocate for her students' scholarly and professional success, and regularly organizes symposia and conferences that facilitate networking and career advancement. Of her 125 refereed articles, most are co-authored with one or two students, a testament to her approach in training the next generation of scientists. Dr. English is described by her students as being "technology fearless," and a mentor that shares in the excitement of creating new knowledge. She works tirelessly to ensure that her graduates receive the training they need to be successful researchers, and fosters strategic partnerships with laboratories at other universities, including hands-on access to cutting-edge mass spectrometry and microscopy facilities.

"Dr. English's ability to distill and present complex ideas in a succinct and lucid manner is something that I try to emulate in my own writing to this day," reflects a former student. "Ann is certainly one of my role models as a scientist and as a mentor of young researchers."



Ann English is Professor Emeritus of Chemistry and Biochemistry as well as the Honorary Concordia University Research Chair in Bioinorganic Chemistry. She founded the Centre for Biological Applications of Mass Spectrometry (CBAMS) at Concordia in 2003, an advanced technology platform for hands-on training of graduate students.

