

Graduate Programs in Biological Sciences

How do I apply to the Graduate Programs in Biological Sciences at the University at Buffalo?

When are application materials due?

- PhD Program: **January 2**
- MS Program: **January 2 (for fellowships) or April 2 (second round)**
- BA/MS Program: **January 8**
- MA Program: applications are reviewed on rolling basis until **December 15 (spring) or June 30 (fall)**

Where do I obtain an application?

- To access the online application, go to <http://bit.ly/1qL8eem>
- Select the program of interest from the dropdown menu.
- If you are not a US citizen or permanent resident, check the International Applicant box.
- Click "Review Application Form" to view and edit the online application.
- At the bottom of the form, you can save your application for future editing or submit it for review.

What documents are required for online submission?

- Completed application form
- Copies of all college or university transcripts
- Personal statement
- Names and contact information for three instructors or supervisors who have agreed to write letters
- GRE scores (Institution code is 2925 and Department code is 0203)
 - *No standardized test scores are required for **MA applicants** who earned a Bachelors degree in a life sciences discipline at UB and graduated with a GPA \geq 3.2*
 - *Other professional exam scores, such as an MCAT or DAT, may be submitted in place of the GRE for **MA applicants** who do not meet the above criteria*
 - *GRE scores are optional for **BA/MS applicants***
- Application fee (\$75.00)
 - *Fee waivers are available for masters applicants with a GPA \geq 3.0. Please apply at <http://www.cas.buffalo.edu/staylonger/>*

What additional information is required from international applicants?

- TOEFL scores (Institution code is 2925 and Department code is 35)
- Copy of biographical page in passport
- Graduate International Financial form

Whom do I contact if I have questions?

- For the **MS & PhD programs** contact:
Dr. Laura Rusche, Director of Graduate Studies at lrusche@buffalo.edu
- For the **MA Program** contact:
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