BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

Admissions

Masters and Ph.D.

Applicants must:

• hold a bachelor’s degree in the biological sciences or related major
• have a minimum undergraduate GPA of 3.0 (out of 4.0)
• have an acceptable combined GRE score
• Include each of the following items

Resume

Up to two pages in length (submit via the online application).

Statement of Intent

The “Statement of Intent” requires students to answer the following questions and also imposes a 300 word maximum for each question

• Why do you want to join Fordham’s Graduate Biology Program?
• How will a Graduate degree in Biology help you in your career goals?
• Describe your research experiences to date.
• Describe your research interest.

Official Transcripts

Official degree transcripts confirming prior degree conferral should be ordered at least one month prior to the application deadline. Please ensure that they are sent directly to the Office of Admissions via secure electronic delivery. If electronic delivery is not available, please request that your transcripts be submitted directly via post, in a sealed envelope, to: Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Office of Admissions, Fordham University, 441 E. Fordham Rd., Bronx, NY 10458.

Please note: you may upload unofficial copies of your transcripts to your application while the Office of Admissions awaits receipt of your official transcripts.

Official GRE Scores

These should be sent directly by the testing service to the Office of Graduate Admissions, Fordham University, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences – Code #2259. GRE Subject score is recommended but not required.

Recommendations

Three letters of recommendation submitted directly by referees via the online application.

English Proficiency

International applicants whose native language is not English are required to complete and submit to GSAS prior to matriculation their official scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). GSAS will also consider a student’s International English Language Testing System (IELTS)–Cambridge English Proficiency Level language testing results.

Official TOEFL or IELTS scores should be sent directly by the testing service to the Office of Graduate Admissions, Fordham University, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences – Code # 2259.

Certificates

Applicants should have completed a B.A./B.S. in biological science or other natural/environmental science, or equivalent coursework. An undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or higher is required. GRE scores are not required. Applicants without the required background will be advised to take necessary prerequisite courses. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis, and students may begin their studies in any term, including summer.

For more information about admissions to the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, please visit their page on the Fordham website.

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