

Graduate Certificate Biotechnology

Program Requirements:

A minimum of 18 credit hours are required for the degree program with a minimum 3.0 GPA.

- Students must be enrolled in the graduate program as the University of Missouri St. Louis either as non-degree students or as master's students.
- Students who wish to obtain a Master's degree with a Biotechnology Certificate must be accepted into the Master's degree program in Biology as well as into the Biotechnology Certificate Program. Students who apply to the certificate program as non-degree students will earn only the certificate.

Application Requirements:

- 1. Online Graduate Application
- 2. Statement of Purpose: A 1-2 page essay explaining your interest in the program and why you are a strong candidate.
- 3. Official transcripts from all universities attended. A Bachelor's degree is required.
 - a. Undergraduate coursework in genetics, cell biology, and biochemistry.
- 4. Entrance examinations:
 - a. International Students must document English proficiency by providing scores from an internationally accepted standardized examination. See <u>International Admissions</u> for more information.
- 5. Minimum GPA of 3.0 on 4.0 scale
- 6. Letters of Recommendation: 3 letters of recommendation are required from individuals who can evaluate your recent academic performance.

Application Deadlines:

Domestic Applicants: Fall - July 1 & Spring - December 1 & Summer - May 1
Applications are processed as they are submitted. However, applications that are received after the posted date may delay admission until the following semester.

Application Fees:

\$50 for domestic applicants \$40 for international applicants

Graduate Program Director:

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