

FOOD SCIENCE

Admission Requirements

Applicants apply for admission to the program via the Graduate School application for admission (<http://gradschool.psu.edu/prospective-students/how-to-apply/>). Requirements listed here are in addition to Graduate Council policies listed under GCAC-300 Admissions Policies (<http://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/>).

Students with a 3.00 junior/senior average (on a 4.00 scale) will be considered for admission to the program. Exceptions may be made at the discretion of the program for students.

Best preparation for graduate work would be the completion of an undergraduate degree in food science, biochemistry, microbiology, or other related areas. The undergraduate program must include calculus, organic chemistry, microbiology, and general physics. Students may be provisionally admitted (<http://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/gcac/gcac-300/provisional-admission/>) with deficiencies but are required to make them up without degree credit. GRE scores will not be accepted.

Students are generally admitted directly to a master's program unless they have previously earned an M.S. degree in food science or an appropriate related area; in such cases, admission can be made directly to the doctoral program by approval of the graduate program committee.