STATISTICS

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/).

Scores from the Graduate Record Examinations (GRE), or from a comparable substitute examination accepted by the Statistics graduate program, are required for admission.

While applications from all students (including those who already have done graduate work) are reviewed, completion of a standard calculus sequence is regarded as a prerequisite. Students with a 3.00 or better junior/senior average (on a 4.00 scale) and with appropriate course backgrounds will be considered for admission. The best-qualified applicants will be accepted up to the number of spaces that are available for new students. Exceptions to the minimum 3.00 grade-point average may be made for students with special backgrounds, abilities, and interests. Students hoping to earn a Ph.D. in statistics may apply directly to the Ph.D. program without need for a master’s degree.