**ANIMAL SCIENCES, PH.D.**

### REQUIREMENTS

#### MINIMUM GRADUATE SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

Review the Graduate School minimum academic progress and degree requirements (http://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#policiesandrequirementstext), in addition to the program requirements listed below.

#### MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

##### MODE OF INSTRUCTION

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**Mode of Instruction Definitions**

- **Accelerated**: Accelerated programs are offered at a fast pace that condenses the time to completion. Students typically take enough credits aimed at completing the program in a year or two.

- **Evening/Weekend**: Courses meet on the UW–Madison campus only in evenings and/or on weekends to accommodate typical business schedules. Students have the advantages of face-to-face courses with the flexibility to keep work and other life commitments.

- **Face-to-Face**: Courses typically meet during weekdays on the UW-Madison Campus.

- **Hybrid**: These programs combine face-to-face and online learning formats. Contact the program for more specific information.

- **Online**: These programs are offered 100% online. Some programs may require an on-campus orientation or residency experience, but the courses will be facilitated in an online format.

#### CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

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<td>Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement</td>
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**Relevant Links**

- [https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203/](https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203/)
- [https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244/](https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244/)

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**Required Courses**

**Seminar Requirement**

The Animal and Dairy Sciences Graduate seminar (DY SCI 900) features outside speakers, UW faculty, and graduate students in the department presenting their research or defending their thesis. This course is offered during the fall and spring semesters. Attendance is required at this seminar series by all graduate students in the department. Ph.D. students are required to register for the seminar for credit twice. Although attendance is required, registering for the seminar for credit is done the semester a student presents.

**Research Requirement**

Minimum of 12 credits of research (AN SCI 990).

**Teaching Requirement**

All students in the Animal Sciences Ph.D. program are required to complete a Teaching Practicum, usually AN SCI 799 Practicum in Animal Sciences Teaching. Each student is expected to work with their faculty advisor to identify an opportunity within the department for the student to engage in teaching. This requirement is broadly defined and could include assisting an Animal and Dairy Sciences faculty member with classroom teaching or TA’ing in a course outside of the department.

**Technical Writing Requirement**

All students in the Animal Sciences Ph.D. program are required to complete a Technical Writing Course, usually LSC 560.
Enrollment Requirement
The program requires all funded students to be enrolled full time. For Ph.D. students this means at least 8 credits in the fall and spring term and at least 2 credits in the summer term. Students funded by another program should check with the payroll and benefits coordinator of that department to learn their requirements for enrollment. Unfunded students should follow the Graduate School’s rules on enrollment (https://grad.wisc.edu/documents/enrollment-requirements/).

The remainder of the course requirements for the Ph.D. in Animal Sciences will be selected to meet the student’s specific needs and to ensure breadth and depth as determined through consultation with their major professor and members of their committee.