**ADMISSIONS**

Please consult the table below for key information about this degree program’s admissions requirements. The program may have more detailed admissions requirements, which can be found below the table or on the program’s website.

Graduate admissions is a two-step process between academic programs and the Graduate School. **Applicants must meet** the minimum requirements ([https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/requirements/](https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/requirements/)) **of the Graduate School as well as the program(s)**. Once you have researched the graduate program(s) you are interested in, apply online ([https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/](https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/)).

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| Letters of Recommendation  | Required                                                                 |

Applicants should have a bachelor’s degree in engineering (biomedical, chemical, electrical, industrial, mechanical, etc.) or science (biology, biochemistry, chemistry, genetics, immunology, physics, etc.). Each application is judged on the basis of:

- Official academic transcripts
- English Proficiency Test scores ([https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/requirements/#english-proficiency](https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/requirements/#english-proficiency)) (if applicable)
- Three letters of recommendation, including one letter from your prospective MS research advisor
- Statement of purpose ([https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/prepare/](https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/prepare/))
- Resume

All applicants must satisfy requirements that are set forth by the Graduate School ([https://grad.wisc.edu/](https://grad.wisc.edu/)). Students admitted to the program may be required to make up deficiency course requirements.

To apply to the BME program, complete applications ([https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/](https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/)), including supportive materials, must be submitted as described below and received by the following deadline dates:

- Fall Semester—December 15
- Spring Semester—September 1
- Summer Session¹—December 15

¹Please note that summer admissions are generally limited to continuing BME students at UW–Madison or applicants who have research assistantships already arranged with UW faculty.

**ENGLISH PROFICIENCY TEST SCORES (IF APPLICABLE)**

The TOEFL is required for international students unless a degree from a U.S. educational institution is held. Scores should be sent using **institution code 1846**.

An applicant whose TOEFL (iBT) score is below 92; TOEFL (PBT) score is below 580; or IELTS score is below 7 must take an English assessment test upon arrival. Depending on the result, an applicant may need to register for recommended English as a Second Language (ESL) courses in the first semester of enrollment.

Any international applicant who will hold a teaching assistantship (TA), and whose native language is not English must take the SPEAK test ([https://esl.wisc.edu/ita-training/speak/](https://esl.wisc.edu/ita-training/speak/)) when arriving on campus.

**THREE LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION**

These letters are required from people who can accurately judge the applicant’s academic or research performance. Students should identify a lab prior to the application process. One letter of recommendation should be from the prospective MS research advisor. Letters of recommendation are submitted electronically to graduate programs through the online application. Applicants should not send any more than three letters (if more than three are sent, only the first three will be considered). See the Graduate School for FAQs ([https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/](https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/)) regarding letters of recommendation.

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

In this document, applicants should explain why they want to pursue further education in BME and discuss which UW faculty members they would be interested in doing research with during their graduate study. See the Graduate School for more advice on how to structure a personal statement ([https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/prepare/](https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/prepare/)).

**RESUME**

Upload your resume in your application.

**APPLICATION FEE**

Submission must be accompanied by the one-time application fee. It is non-refundable and can be paid by credit card (Master Card or Visa) or
debit/ATM. This fee cannot be waived or deferred. Fee grants are available through the Graduate School under certain conditions.