

APPLIED BIOTECHNOLOGY, MS

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Admissions to the Applied Biotechnology, MS have been suspended as of summer 2025 and will be discontinued as of fall 2027. If you have any questions, please contact the program (<https://ms-biotech.wisc.edu/contact-us/>).

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/>) 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/>).

Requirements	Detail
Fall Deadline	July 15
Spring Deadline	December 15
Summer Deadline	April 15
GRE (Graduate Record Examinations)	Not required.
English Proficiency Test	Every applicant whose native language is not English, or whose undergraduate instruction was not exclusively in English, must provide an English proficiency test score earned within two years of the anticipated term of enrollment. Refer to the Graduate School: Minimum Requirements for Admission policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1241 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1241/).
Other Test(s) (e.g., GMAT, MCAT)	n/a
Letters of Recommendation Required	2

APPLY TO THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

Apply to the Graduate School online and select the "Applied Biotechnology MS" program. This is the online-only degree program, see "Biotechnology, MS" program for the face-to-face degree.

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA AND PREREQUISITE COURSEWORK

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited university with a minimum grade point average of 3.0.
- Prerequisite coursework: **two semesters college-level lab coursework in biological sciences and/or chemistry, all of which must have a lab component.**

- To satisfy the prerequisite you must have completed either two semesters of biological sciences, two semesters of chemistry, or one semester each of biological sciences and chemistry.
- Professional resume or CV
- Unofficial transcripts.
 - Upon acceptance, official transcripts will be required by the Graduate School.
- Two letters of recommendation
- A one- or two-page statement of purpose that is specific to the MS in Applied Biotechnology online degree (uploaded via the Graduate School online application) that provides the following:
 - Summary of your professional and academic background
 - Concise description of your short- and long-term professional goals
 - Clear explanation of how the online MS in Applied Biotechnology degree will help you meet your goals.

ADDITIONAL GRADUATE SCHOOL RESOURCES

- Graduate School Admission Frequently Asked Questions (<https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/#FAQ>)
- Graduate School Admission Requirements (<https://grad.wisc.edu/admissions/requirements/>)

If you have any questions about how to apply or about the status of your application, refer to the contact information box.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Applications are accepted year-round for the online MS in Applied Biotechnology Program. Students can begin in fall, spring or summer term. To guarantee consideration for a particular term, applications should be completed by the admissions deadlines listed above.

ONLINE VERSUS FACE TO FACE

The "Applied Biotechnology MS" program is a fully online program. The "Biotechnology MS (<https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/medicine-public-health-school-wide/biotechnology-ms/>)" program is face to face. Not sure which Biotechnology program works best for you? Contact the program for more information.