# AGRONOMY, MS

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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	December 1
Spring Deadline	September 1
Summer Deadline	December 1
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	3

Students considering graduate study in Agronomy should make inquiries to the graduate program several months before the desired enrollment date. In addition to the online application, the graduate program requires a statement of purpose, transcripts, and three letters of recommendation with two being from academic sources.

Candidates for research and teaching assistantships can be accepted twice a year, at summer/fall and spring admissions.

#### **REQUIRED PREPARATION**

Candidates for graduate study should have a bachelor's degree in agriculture or in the biological, chemical, or physical sciences. The applicant's academic preparation should include the preparatory coursework listed below. Candidates admitted to the program who have not completed this coursework will be expected to complete it while enrolled in the MS program. Requests for deviations can be made to the graduate studies committee in consultation with the candidate's advisor. Courses taken during the MS program to meet the preparatory

coursework requirement do not count towards the 50% graduate coursework minimum.

## Preparatory Courses

Code Title Credits

1 year of general chemistry with labs

1 semester of organic chemistry with lab

4 semesters of biology distributed among three of the following four areas:

biochemistry

genetics

plant morphology, anatomy, or physiology

taxonomy, evolution, or ecology.