



INTERNATIONAL ADMISSIONS GUIDE

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INTERNATIONAL RECRUITMENT AND ADMISSIONS TEAM

Greetings from Montana State University-Bozeman!

We hope this manual will serve as a helpful tool for you to navigate our admissions process. However, if you have any questions that is not addressed in this guide, you are more than welcome to contact our team with contacts below, we are more than happy to help.

Thank you for your continuous support in bringing more international students to MSU-Bozeman!



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UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS - REQUIREMENTS

- Grade Point Average (GPA)
 - Freshman: 2.5/4.0
 - Transfer: 2.0/4.0
- SAT/ACT score is NOT required for admissions (except students who graduated from US/Canadian high schools). Students with SAT 1130+/ACT 23+ could be considered for a higher scholarship
- Proof of English proficiency: submit one of the below

English Proficiency Examination	Minimum Required Score
IELTS	6.0
Internet-based TOEFL test (iBT)	71
Revised TOEFL Paper-delivered test	56
Paper-based TOEFL test (PBT)	525
PTE Academic	48
SAT - Writing/Language Score	25+
SAT - Evidence-based Reading/Writing	440
ACT - English score	20+
iTEP	3.7
Duolingo	75
English3	58
EIKEN	Pre-1
Intensive English Program	Minimum Required Level
INTERLINK Language Center at MSU	Successful completion of level 5
Bridge English Language Center	Successful completion of program level B2
EC Language Centres	Successful completion of Upper Intermediate Level
EF International Language Centers	Successful completion of program level C-1
ELS Language Centers	Successful completion of program level 112
Embassy English	Successful completion of program level 4
FLS International	Successful completion of program level 8
ILSC	Successful completion of University Pathway Program Advanced Level 2
Open Hearts Language Academy	Successful completion of Advanced 2 level or Elite level
PGIC	Successful completion of Advanced level
Spring International Language Center	Successful completion of level 6

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UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS - DEADLINES

Fall semester (starts in August)	
Deadline to submit complete application	July 1
Deadline to apply on-campus housing	Housing Application Priority Date of March 1 st but strongly recommended as soon as the student decides to attend MSU.
On-campus move-in date	Refer here
Orientation date	Refer here
Presidential Scholarship (Fall start only)	Nov 30
Spring semester (starts in January)	
Deadline to submit complete application	Nov 15
Deadline to apply on-campus housing	Housing Application Priority Date of March 1 st but strongly recommended as soon as the student decides to attend MSU.
On-campus move-in date	Refer here
Orientation date	Refer here
Summer semester (starts in May/June/July)	
Deadline to submit complete application	Mar 15
Deadline to apply on-campus housing	Housing Application Priority Date of March 1 st but strongly recommended as soon as the student decides to attend MSU.
On-campus move-in date	Refer here
Orientation date	Refer here

- **Turnaround time – admissions decision:** Once we receive all the required academic documents, admissions decision is usually issued within 10-15 business days.
- **Turnaround time – I-20 issue:** Once we receive a copy of the student passport, bank statement, financial certificate, I-20 is usually issued within 3-5 business days.

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UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS – TUITION AND FEE

Category	Semester	Academic Year
Tuition/Fees	\$12,925	\$25,850
Room/Board	\$5,150	\$10,300
Books/Supplies	\$725	\$1,450
Personal/Transportation	\$1,869	\$3,738
Total	\$20,704	\$41,408
Required amount in bank statement for I-20 issue	\$36,150	

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UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS – SCHOLARSHIP

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Freshman Scholarship- No SAT/ACT Freshman students without SAT/ACT and have a GPA at least 3.0/4.0	Up to \$5,000
Transfer Scholarship - No SAT/ACT Transfer applicants without SAT or ACT and have a GPA at least 3.0/4.0	Up to \$8,000
Merit based scholarship with SAT/ACT Applied to both freshmen and transfer applicants with GPA at least 3.0/4.0 and minimum SAT 1130/ACT 23	Up to \$15,000
International Bobcat Alumni Scholarship Applied to both freshman and transfer who have had immediate family members (parents or siblings) graduate from MSU or who are currently enrolled at MSU. One-time offer for the first semester.	\$2,000
Presidential Scholarship For top students who have been admitted. Full tuition waiver & stipend for four years. Separate application required & must be submitted by November 30.	Up to \$25,000

- Students are automatically considered for scholarship by our admissions team when we do the evaluation. Students will be notified about their scholarship award in their admissions package if they meet our scholarship requirements. NO separate application is required.
- Scholarship can be renewed annually if the student maintains a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale, maintains full-time, non-resident student status.

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UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS – PROCESS

Submit online application

- An online application can be submitted at: <http://www.msuadmissions.com/international>
- Pay application fee \$38 as part of the online application form or pay at www.msuadmissions.org/appfee/

Send academic documents

- Email globalstudy@montana.edu the student's highschool transcript and any college transcript they attended after highschool. Academic documents in foreign language must be translated into English by a certified translator.
- Email globalstudy@montana.edu a copy of the student's English test score result. If student took TOEFL or PTE, an official score needs to be sent directly from ETS (code 4488) or from Pearson respectively. Student without English test score can take English course with Interlink on campus. Please specify this in the application form.

Receive offer letter

- If the student meet our admissions requirments, an offer letter will be email to them
- A scholarship letter will also be emailed to the students if they meet our scholarship requirements.

Receive I-20

- Send the following documents to receive the I-20
 - Passport
 - Financial certificate
 - Bank statement (minimum \$36,150 and dated within 6 months from the program start date)
 - Confirmation of mailing address to ship the I-20

Apply for visa

- Student will be notified with a Fedex tracking number when we ship the I-20
- Schedule visa interview appointment
- Inform us at globalstudy@montana.edu about the interview result

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UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS – PROGRAMS

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE			
● ■	Agricultural Business	■	Soil Science
○	Agribusiness Management	○	Soil & Water Sciences
○	Farm & Ranch Management	■	Water Resources
●	Agricultural Education	■	Entomology (multiple departments)
○ T	Broadfield Teaching	● ■	Financial Engineering
○	Ag Comm., Leadership, and Extension	■	Genetics (multiple departments)
● ■	Animal Science	●	Microbiology–Pre-Veterinary Track
○	Equine Science	● ■	Natural Resources & Rangeland Ecology
○	Livestock Management & Industry	○	Rangeland Ecology & Management
○	Science	○	Wildlife Habitat Ecology & Management
● ■	Biotechnology	●	Plant Science
○	Animal Systems	○	Crop Science
○	Microbial Systems	○	Plant Biology
● ■	Environmental Horticulture	○	Plant Biotechnology
○	Environmental Horticulture Science	▲	Pre-Veterinary Medicine
○	Landscape Design	●	Sustainable Food & Bioenergy Systems
● ○	Environmental Sciences	○	Agroecology
○	Environmental Biology	○	Sustainable Crop Production
○	Geospatial & Environmental Analysis	○	Sustainable Livestock Production
○	Land Rehabilitation		
COLLEGE OF ARTS & ARCHITECTURE			
●	Architecture (Environmental Design) Master of Architecture—one additional year	●	Film & Photography
●	Art	○	Film
T T	Art Ed K–12 Broadfield Teaching	○ ■	Photography
○ ■	Art History	● ■	Music
○	Graphic Design	T T	Music Education
○	Liberal Arts Studio	●	Music Technology
○	Studio Arts		
JAKE JABS COLLEGE OF BUSINESS & ENTREPRENEURSHIP			
●	Business	▲	Entrepreneurship Certificate
○ ■	Accounting2	○ ■	Finance
■	Business Administration	■	International Business
▲	Business Certificate	○	Management
■	Entrepreneurship & Small Business Management	○	Marketing

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COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING			
•	Biological Engineering	•	Environmental Engineering
•	Chemical Engineering	• ■	Financial Engineering
•	Civil Engineering	• ■	Industrial & Mgmt. Systems Engineering ³
■	Land Surveying	•	Mechanical Engineering
• ■	Computer Engineering	■	Aerospace
• ■	Computer Science (STEM interest)	■	Building Energy Systems
○	Interdisciplinary Option	■	Materials
○	Professional Option	■	Mechatronics
• ■	Computer Science (Arts, Humanities or Business interest)	•	Mechanical Engineering Technology
•	Construction Engineering Technology	■	Military Studies
• ■	Electrical Engineering		
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, HEALTH & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT			
Education			
T	Elementary Education K–8	T T	French K–12 Teaching
○	Early Childhood	T T	German K–12 Teaching
○	Mathematics	T	Government Teaching
T	Reading K–12	T T	History Teaching
○	Science Education	T T	Mathematics Teaching
○	Special Education	T	Music K–12 Teaching
T	Secondary Education	T T	Physics Teaching
T	Agricultural Ed Broadfield Teaching	T	Reading K–12
T T	Art Education K–12 Teaching	T	Social Studies Broadfield Teaching
T	General Science Broadfield Teaching	T T	Spanish K–12 Teaching
T T	Biology Teaching	○	Special Education
T T	Chemistry Teaching	•	Technology Education
T	Earth Science Teaching	○	Industrial Technology
T	Economics Teaching	T T	Technology Ed Broadfield Teaching
T	English Teaching		
Health and Human Development			
•	Community Health	○	Kinesiology
•	Early Childhood Ed & Child Services	•	Hospitality Management
○	Child Development	○	Food Enterprise
○	Preschool–Grade 3 (P-3)	○	Lodging & Facilities Management
•	Food & Nutrition	○	Restaurant Management: Farm-to-Table
○	Dietetics	• ○	Human Development & Family Science
○	Nutrition Science	■	Human Development
T	Health Enhancement K–12 (Health & PE)	T T	Family & Consumer Sciences Teaching
■	Coaching	■	Personal & Consumer Finance
•	Health & Human Performance	•	Sustainable Food & Bioenergy Systems
○	Exercise Science	○	Sustainable Food Systems

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COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, HEALTH & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT			
Humanities and Social Sciences			
•	American Studies	■	China Studies
• ■	Anthropology	○ ■	French & Francophone Studies
• ■	Asian Studies	T T	French K–12 Teaching
• ■	Economics (multiple departments)	○ ■	German Studies
T	Economics Teaching	T T	German K–12 Teaching
•	English	○ ■	Hispanic Studies
T	English Teaching	■	Japan Studies
○ ■	Literature	○ ■	Latin American & Latino/a Studies
○ ■	Writing	T T	Spanish K–12 Teaching
• ○ ■	History	■	Native American Studies
T T	History Teaching	• ■	Philosophy
■	Museum Studies	• ■	Political Science
○	Science, Environment, Technology & Society	T	Government Teaching
•	Liberal Studies	▲	Pre-Law
○	Environmental Studies	• ■	Psychology
○	Global/Multicultural Studies	○	Applied Psychology
○	Quaternary	○	Psychological Science
■	Global Studies	• ■	Sociology
■	Global Health	○	Criminology
■	Sustainability	○	General Sociology
•	Modern Languages & Literatures	■	Women's, Gender & Sexuality Studies
Math and Natural Sciences			
■	Astrobiology (multiple departments)	■	Water Resources
•	Biological Sciences (Ecology)	■	Genetics (multiple departments)
T T	Biology Teaching	• ○	Mathematics
○	Conservation Biology & Ecology	■	
○	Fish & Wildlife Ecology & Management	○	Applied Mathematics
○	Organismal Biology	T T	Mathematics Teaching
• ○	Cell Biology & Neuroscience	○ ■	Statistics
○	Biomedical Sciences	• ○	Microbiology
• ■	Chemistry & Biochemistry	■	
○ ■	Biochemistry	○	Environmental Health
○	Chemistry Professional	○	Environmental Microbiology
T T	Chemistry Teaching	○	Medical Laboratory Science
•	Earth Sciences	○	Pre-Medical
T	Earth Science Teaching	○	Pre-Veterinary
○	Geography	• ■	Physics
○	Geology	○	Physics Interdisciplinary
○ ■	GIS/Planning	○	Physics Professional
○	Paleontology	T T	Physics Teaching
○	Snow Science	■	Materials
		■	Optics
		▲	Pre-Medicine/Pre-Dentistry/ Pre-Optometry/Pre-Health Professions
COLLEGE OF NURSING			
•	Nursing		

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GRADUATE ADMISSIONS - REQUIREMENTS

Most departments require:

- GPA 3.0/4.0
- GRE score: official score report from the specific testing agency (use campus code: 4488)
- Personal statement
- 3 recommendation letters: Applicants will be asked to provide information about their references. The electronic process will prompt each reference to submit a signed reference letter in English.
- Proof of English proficiency

****Please refer to the Table 1 at the end of this guide for a detailed admissions requirement for each program****

GRADUATE ADMISSIONS – DEADLINE

****Each department may have different deadlines. Please refer to Table 2 at the end of this guide for more details****

GRADUATE ADMISSIONS – TUITION AND FEE

Category	Semester	Academic Year
Tuition/Fees	\$8,099	\$16,198
Room/Board	\$4,232	\$8,464
Books/Supplies	\$564	\$1,128
Personal/Transportation	\$3,869	\$7,738
Total	\$16,839	\$33,678

Required amount in bank statement for I-20 issue

\$26,498

Funding & Fellowship opportunities for graduate students:

<http://www.montana.edu/gradschool/fellowships/index.html>

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GRADUATE ADMISSIONS - PROCESS

Submit online application

- An online application can be submitted at: <https://www.applyweb.com/msug/index.ftl>
- Pay application fee \$60 as part of the online application form

Send academic documents

- Photocopies can be used to initiate the application process, however official transcripts/credentials are still required upon admission.
- Official academic documents must be mailed to the Graduate School (108 Montana Hall, Bozeman, MT 59717, PO Box 172580) directly from the previously attended university upon enrollment to MSU. An English translation must be provided for all non-English academic transcripts and credentials.

Receive offer letter

- If the student meet our admissions requirments, an offer letter will be email to them

Receive I-20

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 - Financial certificate
 - Bank statement (minimum \$26,498 and dated within 6 months from the program start date)
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 - Schedule visa interview appointment
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PROGRAMS	DEGREE	NOTE
Accountancy (Professional)	M.P.Ac.	
Adult & Higher Education	M.Ed., Ed.D., Ph.D.	
Agricultural Education	M.S.	
American Studies	M.A., Ph.D.	
Animal & Range Sciences	M.S., Ph.D.	
Applied Economics	M.S.	
Architecture	M.Arch.	
Art	M.F.A.	
Art History	M.A.	
Biochemistry	Ph.D.	
Bioengineering	M.Eng.	
Biological Sciences	M.S., Ph.D.	
Chemical Engineering	M.S., M.Eng., Ph.D.	
Chemistry	Ph.D.	
Civil Engineering	M.S., Ph.D.	
Computer Science	M.S., Ph.D.	
Counseling	M.S.	Options in: Marriage & Family Counseling Mental Health School Counseling
Curriculum & Instruction	M.Ed., Ed.D., Ph.D.	
Data Science	M.S.	
Earth Sciences	M.S., Ph.D.	
Ecology & Environmental Sciences	Ph.D.	Department of Animal and Range Sciences
Ecology & Environmental Sciences	Ph.D.	Department of Ecology
Educational Leadership	M.Ed., Ed.D., Ph.D.	
Education Specialist	Ed.S.	
Electrical & Computer Engineering	M.S., M.Eng., Ph.D.	
English	M.A.	
Entomology	M.S.	
Environmental Engineering	M.S., Ph.D.	Department of Chemical and Biological Engineering
Environmental Engineering	M.S., Ph.D.	Department of Civil Engineering
Exercise & Nutrition Sciences	M.S.	
Family Financial Planning	M.S.	
Film	M.F.A.	Science and Natural History Filmmaking
Fish & Wildlife Biology	Ph.D.	
Fish & Wildlife Management	M.S.	
Family & Consumer Sciences	M.S.	
Health Sciences	M.S.	
History	M.A., Ph.D.	
Immunology and Infectious Disease	M.S., Ph.D.	
Individual Interdisciplinary	Ph.D.	

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Industrial & Management Engineering	M.S., Ph.D.	
Land Rehabilitation	M.S.	
Land Resources & Environmental Sciences	M.S.	
Materials Science	Ph.D.	
Mathematics	M.S., Ph.D.	
Mathematics Education	M.S., Ph.D.	
Mechanical Engineering	M.S., M.Eng., Ph.D.	
Microbiology	M.S., Ph.D.	
Molecular Biosciences	Ph.D.	Interdisciplinary rotations first year, degree awarded in chosen area of study
Music Education (Curriculum & Instruction)	M.Ed.	
Native American Studies	M.A.	
Neuroscience	M.S., Ph.D.	
Nursing	M.N., D.N.P.	
Optics & Photonics	M.S.	
Physics	M.S., Ph.D.	
Plant Pathology	M.S.	
Plant Science	M.S., Ph.D.	
Psychological Science	M.S., Ph.D.	
Public Administration	M.P.A.	
Science Education	M.S.	
Statistics	M.S., Ph.D.	

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TABLE I: GRADUATE ADMISSIONS - REQUIREMENTS

Degree	Major	GPA	GRE requirement	English requirements	Recommendation letter	Essay	Others	Notes
MEd	<u>Adult and Higher Education</u>	3.0/4.0	The general test of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) or Miller Analogies Test (MAT) is required of all MEd students prior to consideration for admission in the Department of Education. There is no minimum score requirement. Applications are reviewed holistically and take into account all elements. Test scores may not be over five years old at the time of application.	TOEFL: 80-internet-based [iBT] or 550-PBT, IELTS: 6.5, or PTE Academic: 54	x3	yes		Personal essay – The suggested length is 2-3 pages, double-spaced.
MA	<u>American Studies</u>	3.0/4.0	GRE scores are not required, but will be reviewed if submitted	(TOEFL) scores of at least 550 for the written format (or 80 for the Internet format)	x3	yes	Writing sample	
MSc	<u>Animal & Range Sciences</u>	3.0/4.0	GRE scores of 150 verbal and 146 quantitative (450 verbal and 550 quantitative in previous GRE scoring system) are required for full admission. GRE scores cannot be over 5 years old at time of application.	TOEFL: 80-internet-based [iBT] or 550-PBT, IELTS: 6.5, or PTE Academic: 54	x3	yes	There must be a faculty member available to advise a student with funding and a project before a new graduate student will be accepted.	

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M.S	<u>Applied Economics</u>	3.0/4.0	GRE is required. No minimum score is required.	(TOEFL) scores of at least 550 for the written format (or 80 for the Internet format),	x3	Strongly recommended but is not required.	Success in our graduate program typically requires completion of courses in Intermediate microeconomic and macroeconomic theory, Calculus and matrix algebra, Statistics.	
M.Arch	<u>Architecture</u>	3.0/4.0	The GRE is required for admission. The Writing score you receive will be used as 10% of your overall admissions score. The Verbal score you will receive will determine if you are eligible to be apply for a GTA position. To be a GTA you must receive at least a 148 on the Verbal portion. No specific overall score is required. Scores are valid for 5 years	TOEFL: 80-internet-based [iBT] or 550-PBT, IELTS: 6.5, or PTE Academic: 54	x3	none	Portfolio	
MFA	<u>Art</u>	3.0/4.0	Not required	TOEFL (80), IELTS (level 6.5), or PTE (54)	X3	No	Portfolio requirement 20 images of most recent work max	
MA	<u>Art History</u>	3.0/4.0	The GRE is required for admission. The Verbal score you will receive will determine if you are eligible to be apply for a GTA position. To be a GTA you must receive at least a 148 on the Verbal portion. No specific overall score is required. Scores are valid for 5 years	TOEFL (80), IELTS (level 6.5), or PTE (54)	x3	yes	Writing sample	
M.Eng	<u>Bioengineering</u>	3.0/4.0	GRE Scores (145 verbal, 153 quantitative)	TOEFL (internet exam - 75) or IELTS score of 6.5 or higher	x3	yes		Typical scores for admitted M.S. graduate students are 156 GRE quantitative and 3.4 GPA

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M.S	<u>Biological Science</u> (Department of Ecology)	3.0/4.0	Official Graduate Record Examination (GRE) General Test scores must be submitted at the time the student submits the full application to the Department of Ecology. The sum of the verbal and quantitative scores should be at least 1100 for GRE scores before July 2011 and a minimum of 300 for the current GRE tests	TOEFL: 80-internet-based [iBT] or 550-PBT, IELTS: 6.5, or PTE Academic: 54	x3	yes		The applicant should have maintained the following minimal undergraduate grade-point averages: 3.0 average in all biology courses; 3.0 average in all courses taken during the junior and senior years; and 2.5 average in all chemistry, physics and mathematics courses.
M.S	<u>Chemical Engineering</u>	3.0/4.0	GRE Scores (145 verbal, 153 quantitative)	TOEFL (internet exam - 75) or IELTS score of 6.5 or higher	x3	yes		Typical scores for admitted M.S. graduate students are 156 GRE quantitative and 3.4 GPA
M.Eng	<u>Chemical Engineering</u>	3.0/4.0	GRE Scores (145 verbal, 153 quantitative)	TOEFL (internet exam - 75) or IELTS score of 6.5 or higher	x3	yes		Typical scores for admitted M.S. graduate students are 156 GRE quantitative and 3.4 GPA
M.S	<u>Civil Engineering</u>	3.0/4.0	We do not require a minimum score on the GRE. We generally consider GRE scores below the 50th percentile to negatively affect an applicant, and scores above the 50th percentile to positively affect the applicant.	TOEFL: 80-internet-based [iBT] or 550-PBT, IELTS: 6.5, or PTE Academic: 54	x3	yes		A completed B.S. or Bachelor of Engineering degree in an engineering field closely related to the degree program you plan to enter.
M.S	<u>Community Health</u>	3.0/4.0	GRE equal to or greater than 300 for both verbal and quantitative preferred	TOEFL: 80-internet-based [iBT] or 550-PBT, IELTS: 6.5, or PTE Academic: 54	x3	yes	Relevant professional experience	
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M.S	<u>Computer Science</u>	3.0/4.0	Neither the general Graduate Record Exam (GRE), nor a GRE subject test is required for admissions into the Master's program. We will however accept and consider GRE scores if submitted.	Internet-based TOEFL Test (iBT) 80 Paper-based TOEFL Test (PBT) 550 IELTS 6.5 PTE Academic 54	x3	yes		
M.S	<u>Counselling</u>	3.0/4.0	General GRE scores--not subject tests--in the 50th percentile (approximately 150) or above on both verbal and quantitative Scores older than 7 years will not be accepted	TOEFL: 80-internet-based [iBT] or 550-PBT, IELTS: 6.5, or PTE Academic: 54	x3	yes - refer to the website for detailed requirements of the 3 essays		Personal essay - no more than four typed, double-spaced pages
MEd	<u>Curriculum and Instruction</u>	3.0/4.0	These scores are required ONLY for those applying to the Professional Researcher option. Submit official scores for the general test of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) or Miller Analogies Test (MAT) to Montana State University (code 4488). There is no minimum score requirement.	TOEFL: 80-internet-based [iBT] or 550-PBT, IELTS: 6.5, or PTE Academic: 54	x3	yes (x3) - refer to the website for detailed requirements of the 3 essays		
M.S	<u>Data Science</u>	3.0/4.0	GRE score is optional	TOEFL: 80-internet-based [iBT] or 550-PBT, IELTS: 6.5, or PTE Academic: 54.	x3	yes		Applications to our programs are accepted on a rolling basis.
M.S	<u>Earth Science</u>	3.0/4.0	GRE scores in verbal, quantitative, and analytic measures are required; a verbal GRE of 150 is generally required to be eligible for a Teaching Assistantship.	TOEFL score of 237 (computer), 580 (paper) or 93 (internet) for admission. For the IELTS test a 7.0 total band score is required.	x3	yes		

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Degree	Major	GPA	GRE requirement	English requirements	Recommendation letter	Essay	Others	Notes
M.S	Electrical Engineering	3.0/4.0	GRE preferred 150 verbal, 155 quantitative, 3.5 writing.	TOEFL 90 or IELTS level 7	x3	yes		
M.Eng	Electrical Engineering	3.0/4.0	GRE preferred 150 verbal, 155 quantitative, 3.5 writing.	TOEFL 90 or IELTS level 7	x3	yes		
M.A	English	3.0/4.0	None	TOEFL: 80-internet-based [iBT] or 550-PBT, IELTS: 6.5, or PTE Academic: 54	x3	yes	10-15-page sample of academic writing.	
M.S	Entomology	3.0/4.0	Minimum Score Recommended: 150 verbal, 146 quantitative, and 4.0 analytical Minimum Score Recommended (Old System): 450 verbal, 550 quantitative, and 4.0 analytical	TOEFL (iBT 80, CPT 213, Paper 550), IELTS 7.0	x3	yes		
M.S	Environmental Engineering	3.0/4.0	GRE Scores (145 verbal, 153 quantitative)	TOEFL (internet exam - 75) or IELTS score of 6.5 or higher	x3	yes		Typical scores for admitted M.S. graduate students are 156 GRE quantitative and 3.4 GPA
M.S	Exercise and Nutrition Sciences	3.0/4.0	Preferential GRE combined score from verbal and quantitative tests equal to or greater than 280 from the current test or 800 from tests before 2011	TOEFL (80), IELTS (level 6.5), or PTE (54)	x3	yes	Relevant professional experience	
M.S	Family and Consumer Sciences	3.0/4.0	None		x3	yes	Resume	

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M.S	<u>Fish and Wildlife Management</u>	3.0/4.0	Official Graduate Record Examination (GRE) General Test scores must be submitted at the time the student submits the full application to the Department of Ecology. The sum of the verbal and quantitative scores should be at least 1100 for GRE scores before July, 2011 and a minimum of 300 for the current GRE tests	TOEFL: 80-internet-based [iBT] or 550-PBT, IELTS: 6.5, or PTE Academic: 54	x3	yes		The applicant should have maintained the following minimal undergraduate grade-point averages: 3.0 average in all biology courses; 3.0 average in all courses taken during the junior and senior years; and 2.5 average in all chemistry, physics and mathematics courses.
M.A	<u>History</u>	3.0/4.0	The GRE is not required, but scores will be reviewed if submitted.	TOEFL [80] or IELTS [level 7]	x3	yes	writing sample, preferably a sample of the student's work from a history related course.	
M.S	<u>Industrial and Management Engineering</u>	3.0/4.0	Preferred 152 verbal, 156 quantitative	TOEFL Scores preferred 99 iBT, IELTS minimum score: 6.5	x3	yes		
M.S	<u>Land Rehabilitation (cross-departmental)</u>	3.0/4.0	Minimum Score Recommended: 150 verbal, 146 quantitative, and 4.0 analytical Minimum Score Recommended (Old System): 450 verbal, 550 quantitative, and 4.0 analytical	TOEFL (iBT 80, CPT 213, Paper 550), IELTS 7.0	x3	yes		
M.S	<u>Land Resources and Environmental Sciences (cross-departmental)</u>	3.0/4.0	Minimum Score Recommended: 150 verbal, 146 quantitative, and 4.0 analytical Minimum Score Recommended (Old System): 450 verbal, 550 quantitative, and 4.0 analytical	TOEFL (iBT 80, CPT 213, Paper 550), IELTS 7.0	x3	yes		

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MPA	<u>Master of Public Administration</u>	3.0/4.0	GRE is required. Admission standards for full admission to MPA Program are: A sum of at least 844 from the following formula: (GRE X 4) + (Undergraduate GPA X 80)	TOEFL a score of 80; for the IELTS a score of 7.	x3	yes		Admission standards for full admission to MPA Program are: A sum of at least 844 from the following formula: (GRE X 4) + (Undergraduate GPA X 80)
M.S	<u>Mathematics</u>	3.0/4.0	GRE score is optional	a TOEFL score, minimum required score of 80 for admittance, a score of 93 to qualify to be a Graduate Teaching Assistant, or an IELTS score, minimum required score of 7 for admittance, a score of 7 to qualify to be a Graduate Teaching Assistant	x3	yes	Minimal Required Undergraduate Coursework Minimum GPA 3.0 and coursework in the following areas: 4 semesters of Calculus through Differential Equations Linear Algebra A proof-based course in Advanced Calculus or Real Analysis Official entrance examination	
M.S	<u>Mathematics Education</u>	3.0/4.0	GRE score is optional	a TOEFL score, minimum required score of 80 for admittance, a score of 93 to qualify to be a Graduate Teaching Assistant, or an IELTS score, minimum required score of 7 for admittance, a score of 7 to qualify to be a Graduate Teaching Assistant	x3	yes	Prefer: Certification to teach secondary mathematics OR equivalent private school experience Two or more years of teaching experience A current position in high school teaching	
M.Eng	<u>Mechanical Engineering</u>	3.0/4.0	Preferred 152 verbal, 156 quantitative	TOEFL Scores preferred 99 iBT, IELTS minimum score: 6.5	x3	yes		

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Degree	Major	GPA	GRE requirement	English requirements	Recommendation letter	Essay	Others	Notes
Master of Nursing (M.N)	<u>Nursing: Associate Degree to Master of Nursing</u>	3.0/4.0	None	<p>IELTS score of 6.5 with a minimum of 6.0 in any one module</p> <p>TOEFL iBT score of 84 with a minimum speaking score of 26</p> <p>PTE Academic score of 55 with no subscores lower than 50 in each scored part</p>	Favorable recommendation from the College of Nursing admissions committee.		<p>A baccalaureate degree in nursing from a nationally accredited upper division program, which included supervised clinical practice in a variety of nursing settings, including community/public health and management.</p> <p>Successful completion of undergraduate courses in physical assessment, community/public health, research, and statistics (which included inferential statistics).</p> <p>Current unencumbered licensure as a registered nurse. If clinical educational experiences are to be completed in Montana, licensure in Montana is required.</p>	
Master of Nursing (M.N)	<u>Nursing: Bachelor of Science in Nursing to Master of Nursing</u>	2.75/4.0	None	<p>IELTS score of 6.5 with a minimum of 6.0 in any one module</p> <p>TOEFL iBT score of 84 with a minimum speaking score of 26</p> <p>PTE Academic score of 55 with no subscores lower than 50 in each scored part</p>	Favorable recommendation from the College of Nursing admissions committee.		<p>ADRN earned from a nationally accredited institution of higher education, which included supervised clinical practice in a variety of nursing settings.</p> <p>Current unencumbered licensure as a registered nurse. If clinical education is to be completed in Montana, licensure in Montana is required.</p> <p>Minimum of two years of clinical experience as a registered nurse that demonstrates increasing leadership in nursing.</p>	
M.S	<u>Mechanical Engineering</u>	3.0/4.0	Preferred 152 verbal, 156 quantitative	TOEFL Scores preferred 99 iBT, IELTS minimum score: 6.5	x3	yes		

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MEd	<u>Educational Leadership</u>	3.0/4.0	None	TOEFL: 80-internet-based [iBT] or 550-PBT, IELTS: 6.5, or PTE Academic: 54	x3	Yes	Resume	
M.S	<u>Microbiology and Immunology</u>	3.0/4.0	A minimum of 480 (152) verbal GRE is needed for students to serve as a Teaching Assistant (which is a requirement for PhD students). The overall GRE score should fall at or above 1150 (305).	TOEFL: 80-internet-based [iBT] or 550-PBT, IELTS: 6.5, or PTE Academic: 54.	x3	yes		Personal statement: 1-2 page (450-900 words)
M.S	<u>Optics and Photonics</u>	3.0/4.0	Minimum scores:153 Verbal, 153 Quantitative, 3.5 Analytical Writing.	TOEFL [iBT: 100, PBT: 600], IELTS [level 7.0], or PTE [68].	x3	yes		
M.S	<u>Statistics</u>	3.0/4.0	GRE score is optional	a TOEFL score, minimum required score of 80 for admittance, a score of 93 to qualify to be a Graduate Teaching Assistant, or an IELTS score, minimum required score of 7 for admittance, a score of 7 to qualify to be a Graduate Teaching Assistant	x3	yes	Minimal Required Undergraduate CourseworkSingle and multivariable calculusLinear/matrix algebraApplied statistical methods/data analysisProbability theory (calculus-based)Mathematical statistic	
M.A	<u>Native American Studies</u>	3.0/4.0	None	TOEFL: 80-internet-based [iBT] or 550-PBT, IELTS: 6.5, or PTE Academic: 54.	x3	yes	Two short academic writing samples that demonstrate your abilities to do graduate level research & writing with citations Resume/CV	
M.S	<u>Physics</u>	3.0/4.0	Quantitative Score: 80% or about 157 Verbal Score: 70% or about 155 Analytical Score: 3.5 Physics Score: 40%	TOEFL: 80-internet-based [iBT] or 550-PBT, IELTS: 6.5, or PTE Academic: 54.	x3	yes		

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MPAc	<u>Professional Accountancy</u>	3.0/4.0	No minimum required GMAT or GRE scores. When making admission decisions, we focus on the entire application package.	TOEFL: 80-internet-based [iBT] or 550-PBT, IELTS: 6.5	x3	yes		We will waive the requirement for all applicants who are MSU graduates who have an overall GPA of 3.25 or higher. Most applicants take the GRE because the GRE is offered at MSU. However, the GMAT is equally acceptable.
MFA	<u>Science and Natural History Filmmaking</u>	3.0/4.0	GRE scores optional	TOEFL score of 80 (internet-based) or 213 (computer-based) or 550 (paper-based) or IELTS, minimum score of 7.0	x3	yes	Resume	Personal statement is maximum of 750 words Applicants to the SNHF program need no formal filmmaking training to apply
M.S	<u>Sustainable Food System</u>	3.0/4.0	GRE equal to or greater than 300 preferred	TOEFL: 80-internet-based [iBT] or 550-PBT, or PTE 54, or IELTS: 6.5	x3	yes	Relevant professional experience	

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TABLE 2: GRADUATE ADMISSIONS - DEADLINES

Title	Major	Deadline
MEd	Adult and Higher Education	Fall Semester: April 1st Priority deadline of February 1st.
MA	American Studies	Fall semester: January 31st (priority deadline), March 1st (final deadline)
MSc	Animal & Range Sciences	Fall semester - May 1 Spring semester - October 1 Summer semester - March 1
M.S	Applied Economics	Fall semester: 13 May Spring semester: 1 Oct Summer: 1 Feb To receive full consideration for assistantship awards for the fall semester, applications should be received by January 15
M.Arch	Architecture	Fall semester only: 15 Jan
MFA	Art	All materials must be electronically submitted by Feb. 1st for full consideration:
MA	Art History	All materials must be uploaded by March 15 or October 15 for full consideration.
M.Eng	Bioengineering	International Applicants Fall Semester: May 1 Spring Semester: September 15 Summer Semester: January 15 Deadline for consideration for Assistantships Fall Semester: February 1 Spring Semester: August 1
M.S	Biological Science	Fall Semester: May 8 Spring Semester: October 15 Summer Semester: January 25

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M.S	<u>Chemical Engineering</u>	<p>International Applicants Fall Semester: May 1 Spring Semester: September 15 Summer Semester: January 15</p> <p>Deadline for consideration for Assistantships Fall Semester: February 1 Spring Semester: August 1</p>
M.Eng	<u>Chemical Engineering</u>	<p>International Applicants Fall Semester: May 1 Spring Semester: September 15 Summer Semester: January 15</p> <p>Deadline for consideration for Assistantships Fall Semester: February 1 Spring Semester: August 1</p>
M.S	<u>Civil Engineering</u>	<p>Rolling admission with no specific deadlines. International applicants should apply no less than 75 days prior to the beginning of the semester</p>
M.S	<u>Community Health</u>	<p>Fall semester: June 1 Spring semester: October 1 Summer semester: April 1</p>
M.S	<u>Computer Science</u>	<p>Fall semester: May 13 Spring semester: Oct 1 Summer semester: Feb 1</p>
M.S	<u>Counselling</u>	<p>February 1 for summer (late June/early July) start</p>
MEd	<u>Curriculum and Instruction</u>	<p>Fall Semester: April 1st Spring Semester: November 1st Summer Semester: April 1st</p>
M.S	<u>Data Science</u>	<p>Applications to our programs are accepted on a rolling basis.</p>
M.S	<u>Earth Science</u>	<p>Fall semester: Jan 15</p>
M.S	<u>Electrical Engineering</u>	<p>Regular application for international applicants Fall Semester: May 15 Spring Semester: October 1 Summer Semester: February 1</p> <p>Priority deadline for domestic and international students wanting to be considered for funded assistantships: Fall Semester: January 15 Spring Semester: September 15</p>

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M.Eng	<u>Electrical Engineering</u>	<p>Regular application for international applicants Fall Semester: May 15 Spring Semester: October 1 Summer Semester: February 1</p> <p>Priority deadline for domestic and international students wanting to be considered for funded assistantships: Fall Semester: January 15 Spring Semester: September 15</p>
M.A	<u>English</u>	<p>Deadlines for international students: Fall semester: May 15 Spring semester: Sep 15</p> <p>The deadline for application of and consideration for a teaching assistantship is January 31st.</p>
M.S	<u>Environmental Engineering</u>	<p>International Applicants Fall Semester: May 1 Spring Semester: September 15 Summer Semester: January 15</p> <p>Deadline for consideration for Assistantships Fall Semester: February 1 Spring Semester: August 1</p>
M.S	<u>Environmental Engineering</u>	Rolling admission with no specific deadlines. International applicants should apply no less than 75 days prior to the beginning of the semester
M.S	<u>Exercise and Nutrition Sciences</u>	The application deadline for both Domestic and International students is February 15th.
M.S	<u>Family and Consumer Sciences</u>	Fall semester: June 1 Spring semester: October 1 Summer semester: April 1
M.S	<u>Fish and Wildlife Management</u>	Fall Semester: May 8 Spring Semester: October 15 Summer Semester: January 25
M.A	<u>History</u>	Fall semester: Jan 31. Applications received after March 31 will be reviewed on a case by case basis. Fall assistantship deadline: Jan 31 Spring semester: November 1st Spring teaching assistantship deadline: Oct 1st

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M.S	<u>Industrial and Management Engineering</u>	<p>Regular application for international applicants Fall Semester: May 1 Spring Semester: September 15</p> <p>Priority deadline for domestic and international students wanting to be considered for funded assistantships: Fall Semester: February 1 Spring Semester: September 15</p>
M.S	<u>Land Resources and Environmental Sciences</u>	<p>Fall Semester: May 1st Spring Semester: Oct 1st Summer Semester: Feb 1st</p>
M.S	<u>Land Rehabilitation</u>	<p>Fall Semester: May 1st Spring Semester: Oct 1st Summer Semester: Feb 1st</p>
MPA	<u>Master of Public Administration</u>	<p>Fall semester: April 15 (Applications received after April 15th will be considered on a rolling, space available basis until July 15th) Spring semester: November 15. A limited number of applications for Spring admission will be considered under some circumstances, though applicants should be aware that the curriculum is designed to be started in the Fall.</p>
M.S	<u>Mathematics</u>	December 15th is the priority deadline to be considered for scholarships, fellowships and for campus visit invitations.
M.S	<u>Mathematics Education</u>	<p>Applications accepted on a rolling basis Fall graduate assistantship application: April 15</p>
M.Eng	<u>Mechanical Engineering</u>	<p>Regular application for international applicants Fall Semester: May 1 Spring Semester: September 15</p> <p>Priority deadline for domestic and international students wanting to be considered for funded assistantships: Fall Semester: February 1 Spring Semester: September 15</p>
M.S	<u>Mechanical Engineering</u>	<p>Regular application for international applicants Fall Semester: May 1 Spring Semester: September 15</p> <p>Priority deadline for domestic and international students wanting to be considered for funded assistantships: Fall Semester: February 1 Spring Semester: September 15</p>
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MEd	<u>Educational Leadership</u>	Fall Semester: April 1st Spring Semester: April 1st Summer Semester: April 1st
M.S	<u>Microbiology and Immunology</u>	MS candidates may apply at any time during the year to be considered for the next academic semester.
M.S	<u>Optics and Photonics</u>	December 15
M.S	<u>Plant Pathology</u>	Fall Semesters- May 15th Spring Semesters- October 1st Summer Semesters- February 1st
M.S	<u>Plant Sciences</u>	Fall Semesters- May 15th Spring Semesters- October 1st Summer Semesters- February 1st
M.S	<u>Statistics</u>	Applications accepted on a rolling basis Fall graduate assistantship application: April 15
M.A	<u>Native American Studies</u>	Fall semester: Jun 15 Spring semester: Nov 1
M.S	<u>Physics</u>	Fall semester only: December 15 (priority deadline), Jan 1 (final deadline)
MPAc	<u>Professional Accountancy</u>	Regular application deadline Fall semester: June 1 Spring semester: November 1 Summer semester: April 1 Priority deadlines for Graduate Teaching Assistantship application: Fall semester: Mar 1 Spring semester: Aug 15 Summer semester: January 1
MFA	<u>Science and Natural History Filmmaking</u>	Fall semester: Jan 31
M.S	<u>Sustainable Food System</u>	Fall semester: Feb 15 Spring semester: Oct 1 Summer: 1 April