

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION: ENVIRONMENTAL OBSERVATION AND INFORMATICS, 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	This program does not admit in the fall.
Spring Deadline	This program does not admit in the spring.
Summer Deadline	March 1 for international applicants; May 1 for domestic applicants
GRE (Graduate Record Examinations)	May be required in certain cases; consult program.
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

DEADLINES

The priority deadline for tuition assistance is the summer deadline. Prospective students who apply by the summer deadline will be informed of their admissions status by late January. Domestic applicants may submit applications until April 1.

International applicants may submit applications until February 1. International applicants should contact the program coordinator as soon as possible to ensure all paperwork and documents are included.

APPLICATION

Individuals with diverse professional and academic backgrounds are encouraged to apply. Applicants must have received a bachelor's degree from an accredited four-year institution with an undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or higher. Applicants with GPAs below 3.0 may be considered for admissions under special circumstances. Because introductory GIS is not taught in this program, applicants should have introductory GIS skills prior to the start of the program. This experience can be demonstrated through course work, professional experience, a portfolio (in the supplemental application), or a GIS certificate/degree. If an applicant does not have this experience, they should state this in their letter of interest and explain how, if accepted, introductory skills will be developed before the start of the program.

Complete applications will include all items below. Admissions decisions will be based on the entirety of each applicant's credentials.

1. Resume or CV
2. Statement of interest
3. Two letters of recommendation (submitted via the online application)
4. Unofficial undergraduate transcript (official transcript will be requested if recommended for admission)
5. Supplemental application and professional portfolio (see text below for more information)
6. English proficiency test scores. International degree-seeking applicants must prove English proficiency using the Graduate School's requirements (<https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/requirements/>).
7. GRE (dependent on undergraduate major and GPA)

As part of the online supplemental application, applicants will submit a portfolio that showcases their quantitative or GIS experience. The portfolio should consist of documents that will help assess each applicant's proficiency and readiness for the program. Examples of these documents can include; maps developed in a GIS software or through remote sensing image analysis, figures from analysis and reports, selected slides from professional presentations, or copies of certificates, awards, and completed trainings.