

WILDLIFE ECOLOGY, M.S.

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/>) **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	May 31 for international applicants; August 1 for domestic applicants
Spring Deadline	October 11 for international applicants; December 1 for domestic applicants
Summer Deadline	December 1 for domestic applicants; February 1 for international applicants
GRE (Graduate Record Examinations)	Not required.
English Proficiency Test	Every applicant whose native language is not English or whose undergraduate instruction was not in English must provide an English proficiency test score and meet the Graduate School minimum requirements (https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/requirements/#english-proficiency).
Other Test(s) (e.g., GMAT, MCAT)	n/a
Letters of Recommendation Required	3

The Graduate School sets minimum requirements for admissions (<https://grad.wisc.edu/admissions/requirements/>). Academic program admission requirements are often more rigorous than those set by the Graduate School. Applicants are encouraged to apply earlier than the dates listed above. Please check the program's website (https://forestandwildlifeecology.wisc.edu/academics/21417982244_4e0823cb05_k/application-process/) for details about the admission process.

PRE-REQUISITES

Students are expected to enter the program having taken a majority of the following coursework, but deficient courses may be taken while in the program in consultation with the student's Graduate Committee.

- one course in ecology, with population ecology/dynamics strongly recommended
- one course in conservation biology, wildlife management, natural resources policy, or human dimensions of natural resources

- one course in animal organismal biology (e.g., physiology, terrestrial vertebrates, ornithology)
- one course in genetics or evolution

Coursework used to fulfill the prerequisite courses listed above do not need to adhere to the prior course work rules (<https://grad.wisc.edu/documents/prior-coursework/>).