PhD in Genetics Area Program

Financial Aid from the Program

Some programs require an extra form or statement from those who wish to be considered for internal assistantships, fellowships or other funding packages. Check the program website or ask the program contact for details.

Application Deadline

Fall deadline: January 15

Admission Criteria

- Minimum TOEFL scores:
  - Internet-based test (iBT)
    - 93
  - Paper-based test (PBT)
    - 580

- Minimum GRE scores:
  - Prior to August 1, 2011
    - Verbal + Quantitative: 1100
    - Analytical: 4.5
  - On or after August 1, 2011
    - Verbal + Quantitative: 302
    - Analytical: 4.5

- Minimum GPA: 3.0 in last 60 hours
- Bachelor's degree
- One or more courses in each of the following: organic chemistry, biochemistry, mathematics (calculus and statistics), physics, introductory genetics
- Research experience highly desirable
- Broad background in biology

Note: Deficiencies in the subjects listed can be remedied after admission.

Required Application Materials

To the Graduate School:
- All required Graduate School documents

To the Genetics Area Program:
- Genetics Area Program application (download form from website)
  - GRE scores
  - TOEFL scores (international applicants)
  - 3 letters of recommendation (use provided form)
  - Personal statement

Degree Completion Requirements

The minimum requirements for the PhD degree are:

- advanced courses in genetics, biochemistry and molecular biology
- regular participation in the genetics area seminar program
- successful completion of a comprehensive examination
- at least one semester of teaching in a genetics course
- 3 seminar presentations
- research, dissertation and oral defense