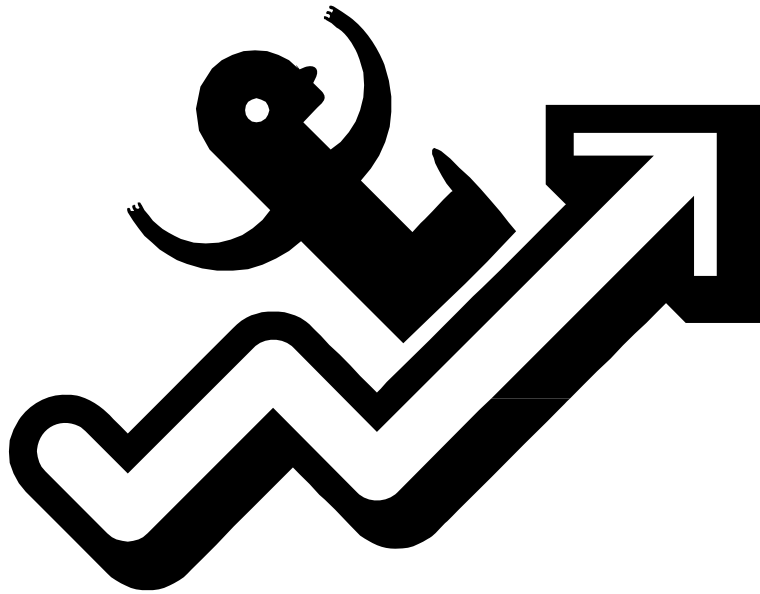


Applying to **NC STATE**



Department of Crop Science

APPLICATION TO CROP SCIENCE GRADUATE PROGRAMS

The Crop Science Department considers applications as they arrive during the year through the on-line application process. Requests for admission are considered by faculty in the prospective student's area of interest. Their recommendations are then forwarded to the Dean of the Graduate School. The criteria for the classification of graduate student admission status is governed by Graduate School regulations as described below.

The On-Line Application for admission must include:

- 1) two official transcripts from all colleges and universities previously attended,
- 2) letters of reference from at least three people who know of the student's academic record and potential for graduate study,
- 3) a non-refundable application fee of \$65 (\$75 for foreign applicants),
- 4) a statement of career goals,
- 5) an official copy of the student's Graduate Record Examination(GRE) scores, and
- 6) (Foreign Students ONLY) one copy of the official Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) scores.

It is also very helpful for us to have a copy of your resume or Curriculum Vitae. We cannot process your application until all these materials are received.

The Crop Science Department offers Teaching and Research Assistantships as well as a limited number of highly competitive Graduate Fellowships in certain programmatic areas, such as Biotechnology and plant breeding and genetics. In addition, NCSU offers tuition remission as well as an excellent health insurance program to qualified applicants.

For complete information about the on-line application process, prospective graduate students can also link directly to:

<http://www2.acs.ncsu.edu/grad/applygrad.htm>

Once you apply, you can also obtain up to date information on your application status. In order to obtain application status information, you may enter your "Applicant ID" (Social Security number or assigned number) AND "Date of Birth" OR enter your "Last Name", "First Name" AND "Date of Birth" exactly as reported on the application submitted. In either case, your "Date of Birth" is required.

If you have a question about a specific graduate program you may visit the Requirements link from our NC State Graduate School Prospective Grad Student home page. Here you will find:

1. Specific program information, application deadlines, and examination requirements.
2. Graduate program and departmental home page links.

3. The complete Graduate Catalog. In the catalog, follow the link to Fields of Graduate Instruction for additional specific program information.

Should you have difficulty in obtaining the required documents via the Web, please contact the Crop Science Department directly and we will be happy to send you print copies.

Information regarding the TOEFL Internet-based Test (iBT) can be found at the following Web-site:

http://www.fis.ncsu.edu/grad_catalog/english.htm

Currently, a total score of at least 80 on the Internet-based Test (iBT) is required for admission. The minimum score for listening, reading, writing and speaking are 15, 20, 20, and 20, respectively. The minimum score requirement for the paper-based test is 550 overall with a score of at least 50 on two of the three sections. No section score of less than 45 is acceptable. The equivalent to this requirement for the computer-based test is an overall score of 213 with at least 17 on two of the three sections. In this case no section score of less than 13 is acceptable. The paper-based and computer-based versions of the TOEFL test will be given until the iBT version is implemented in a particular location.

A Year Round Intensive English Language program is a non-credit offering during the Fall and Spring semesters. This program is designed for those already living in the Raleigh area and does not issue I-20 visa forms to students coming from overseas. Further information on this program can be obtained by calling the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures (515-2475). All international students must be cleared by the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures during the first two weeks of their initial semester in residence. Applicants must have a baccalaureate degree from a college or university recognized as standard by a regional or general accrediting agency. Applicants having a "B" (3.0 on a 4.0 scale) average or better in the undergraduate major or in the latest graduate degree program will receive the highest priority. Applicants must have at least a "B" average in the undergraduate major to be considered.

ADMISSION DEADLINES:

US Applicants

Document	Fall	Spring	Summer I	Summer II
Application and fee due in Graduate Admissions Office	June 25	Nov 25	March 25	May 10
Departmental recommendation and transcripts due in Graduate Admissions Office	July 15	Dec 25	April 15	June 1

International Applicants

Document	Fall	Spring	Summer I	Summer II
Application and fee due in Graduate Admissions Office	March 1	July 15	December 15	December 15
Departmental recommendation and transcripts due in Graduate Admissions Office	April 1	August 15	January 15	January 15

We look forward to receiving your application and to telling you more about our programs. If we can provide you with any further information, please do not hesitate to write, call, or email us.

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