

Purdue University

Food Science - West Lafayette

We are pleased that you are interested in our graduate program. Before you continue with the electronic application for admission, we wish to ensure that you are familiar with the minimum requirements for admission to graduate degree study in Food Science.

It is important to recognize that although satisfaction of these basic requirements does not guarantee admission, failure to satisfy these requirements may lead to automatic denial of admission.

If you do not meet the basic requirements described below, please do not submit the electronic application until you have contacted our graduate program coordinator.

Codes for GRE: Purdue code is 1631. The Food Science code is 0107.

Codes for TOEFL: Purdue code is 1631. The Food Science code is 31.

****GRE requirements are waived temporarily from April 15, 2020 – December 31, 2023.**

****Prospective applicants in countries other than Iran and Mainland China, Educational Testing Service (ETS) announced April 2, 2020, that the TOEFL iBT Special Home Edition is available in all locations where the TOEFL iBT test has normally been available. This is a proctored online version of the test that can be taken in test users' homes. Additional information about this new test option and updates on testing center closures, postponements, and rescheduling can be found at <https://www.ets.org/toefl/test-takers/ibt.html>.**

IELTS is providing updates regarding testing centers at: <https://www.ielts.org/news/2020/ielts-now-open-in-over-100-countries-including-china>

Application Deadlines

Summer Entry: April 15

Fall Entry: July 15

Spring Entry: November 15

BASIC ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Master's Degree Program

Domestic Applicants

- *Undergraduate Cumulative Grade Point Average:*
3.0 or equivalent required
- *Graduate Record Examination (GRE):*
Minimum Score Required: **Verbal 146, Quantitative 144, Analytical 4.0**
- *Resume and Purpose Statement*
- *Diversity Essay*
- *Three letters of recommendation*
- *Unofficial Transcripts can be used for application review purposes; Official transcripts required for admission.*
- *One copy of B. S. diploma*

International Applicants

- *Undergraduate Cumulative Grade Point Average:*
3.0 or equivalent required
- *Graduate Record Examination (GRE):*
Minimum Score Required: **Verbal 146, Quantitative 144, Analytical 4.0**
- *TOEFL for Non-Native English Speakers:*
Minimum Internet-Based Test (IBT) Overall Score Required: **80** (with the following minimum section requirements: **Reading: 19, Listening: 14, Speaking: 18, Writing: 18**)
- *TOEFL Essentials for Non-Native English Speakers:*
Minimum Overall Score Required: **8.0** (with the following minimum section requirements: **Reading: 8.0; Listening 8.0; Speaking: 8.0; Writing: 8.0**)
- *IELTS (Academic Module):*
An alternative to the TOEFL, scores of **6.5 or higher will be accepted**
- *Resume and Purpose Statement*
- *Diversity Essay*
- *Three letters of recommendation*
- *Unofficial Transcripts can be used for application review purposes; Official transcripts required for admission. Language of instruction and English translation required*
- *Copies of B. S. diploma; one copy should be in the language of instruction and the other in English translation*

Doctoral Degree Program

Domestic Applicants

- *Undergraduate Cumulative Grade Point Average:*
3.0 or equivalent required
- *Graduate Record Examination (GRE):*
Minimum Score Required: **Verbal 146, Quantitative 144, Analytical 4.0**
- *Resume and Purpose Statement*
- *Diversity Essay*
- *Three letters of recommendation*
- *Unofficial Transcripts can be used for application review purposes; Official transcripts required for admission.*
- *One copy of B. S. diploma*

International Applicants

- *Undergraduate Cumulative Grade Point Average:*
3.0 or equivalent required
- *Graduate Record Examination (GRE):*
Minimum Score Required: **Verbal 146, Quantitative 144, Analytical 4.0**
- *TOEFL for Non-Native English Speakers:*
Minimum Internet-Based Test (IBT) Overall Score Required: **80** (with the following minimum section requirements: **Reading: 19, Listening: 14, Speaking: 18, Writing: 18**)
- *TOEFL Essentials for Non-Native English Speakers:*
Minimum Overall Score Required: **8.0** (with the following minimum section requirements: **Reading: 8.0; Listening 8.0; Speaking: 8.0; Writing: 8.0**)
- *IELTS (Academic Module):*
An alternative to the TOEFL, scores of **6.5 or higher will be accepted**
- *Resume and Purpose Statement*
- *Three letters of recommendation*
- *Diversity Essay*
- *Unofficial Transcripts can be used for application review purposes; Official transcripts*

required for admission. Language of instruction and English translation required. Copies of B. S. diploma; one copy should be in the language of instruction and the other in English translation

Direct Doctoral from Bachelor's Degree Program

Candidates interested in the Direct Doctoral from Bachelor's Degree Program must obtain Food Science Graduate Committee approval.

Domestic Applicants

- *Undergraduate Cumulative Grade Point Average:*
3.5 or equivalent required
- *Graduate Record Examination (GRE):*
Minimum Score Required: **Verbal 156, Quantitative 151, Analytical 5.0**
- *Resume and Purpose Statement*
- *Three letters of recommendation*
- *Diversity Essay*
- *Unofficial Transcripts can be used for application review purposes; Official transcripts required for admission.*
- *One copy of B. S. diploma*

International Applicants

- *Undergraduate Cumulative Grade Point Average:*
3.5 or equivalent required
- *Graduate Record Examination (GRE):*
Minimum Score Required: **Verbal 156, Quantitative 151, Analytical 5.0**
TOEFL for Non-Native English Speakers:
Minimum Internet-Based Test (IBT) Overall Score Required: **80** (with the following minimum section requirements: **Reading: 19, Listening: 14, Speaking: 18, Writing: 18**)
- *TOEFL Essentials for Non-Native English Speakers:*
Minimum Overall Score Required: **8.0** (with the following minimum section requirements: **Reading: 8.0; Listening 8.0; Speaking: 8.0; Writing: 8.0**)
- *IELTS (Academic Module):*
An alternative to the TOEFL, scores of **6.5 or higher will be accepted**
- *TWE for Non-Native English Speakers:*
Minimum Score Required – greater than or equal to 5.0 on CBT and Paper-based If iBT is taken, TWE is not required
- *Resume and Purpose Statement indicating direct Ph.D from Bachelor's Degree consideration*
- *Diversity Essay*
- *Three letters of recommendation indicating direct Ph.D from Bachelor's Degree consideration*
- *Unofficial Transcripts can be used for application review purposes; Official transcripts required for admission. Language of instruction and English translation required*
- *Copies of B. S. diploma; one copy should be in the language of instruction and the other in English translation*

Application questions may be directed to:

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The application fee has to be remitted with the online application.