

# *Food Science*

## Purdue University - 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.

### **BASIC ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS**

*All required application documents can be uploaded to online the application.*

<https://www.purdue.edu/gradschool/index.html>

### **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*
- *Three letters of recommendation*
- *Official or unofficial transcripts – Official transcripts must be submitted to the Purdue Graduate School upon admission*
- *Copy of B.S. diploma – Submitted to Graduate School upon admission*
  
- ***Deadline for Applications***
  - Summer Entry: May 15
  - Fall Entry: July 15
  - Spring Entry: December 15

## 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: 88**  
(with the following minimum section requirements:  
**Reading: 22, Listening: 22, Speaking: 22, Writing: 22)**
- *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*
- *Official or Unofficial Transcripts – (attested copies will not be accepted) Language of instruction and English translation required. Official transcripts must be submitted to the Purdue Graduate School upon admission*
- *Copy of B.S. diploma – One copy should be in the language of instruction and the other an English translation submitted to Graduate School upon admission*
  
- ***Deadline for Applications***  
Summer Entry: April 15  
Fall Entry: July 15  
Spring Entry: November 15

## Doctoral Degree Program

## Domestic Applicants

- *Undergraduate Cumulative Grade Point Average:*  
**3.0 or equivalent required**
- *Master's Degree Completion:*  
**Required, with a grade point average of 3.0 or equivalent**
- *Graduate Record Examination (GRE):*  
**Minimum Score Required: Verbal 146, Quantitative 144, Analytical 4.0**
- *Resume and Purpose Statement*
- *Three letters of recommendation*
- *Official or unofficial transcripts from B.S. and M.S. degrees - Official transcripts must be submitted to the Purdue Graduate School upon admission*
- *Copy of B.S. diploma – Submitted to Graduate School upon admission*
  
- ***Deadline for Applications***  
Summer Entry: May 15  
Fall Entry: July 15  
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## International Applicants

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- *Master's Degree Completion:*  
**Required, with a grade point average of 3.0 or equivalent**
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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 indicating direct Ph.D. from Bachelor's Degree consideration*
- *Three letters of recommendation indicating direct Ph.D. from Bachelor's Degree consideration*
- *Official or unofficial transcripts from B.S. and M.S. degrees - Official transcripts must be submitted to the Purdue Graduate School upon admission*
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## International Applicants

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**Minimum Score Required: Verbal 156, Quantitative 151, Analytical 5.0**
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(with the following minimum section requirements:  
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Application questions may be directed to:

Name: Graduate Program Coordinator  
Phone: (800) 829-3319 or (765) 494-8258  
E-mail: gradadmissions@foodsci.purdue.edu

***The application fee has to be remitted with the online application. All other documents uploaded online but can be sent to Graduate Program Coordinator, Purdue University, Department of Food Science, 745 Agriculture Mall Drive, West Lafayette, IN 47907.***