

Office of Graduate Services

Graduate Program Profile: Biology MS Program

Admissions Yield

Admissions Year	Applicants	Admitted	Admission Rate	Enrolled	Yield
FY 2017	162	114	70%	90	79%
FY 2018	196	121	62%	88	73%
FY 2019	201	100	50%	67	67%

Total number of applicants, number admitted applicants, admissions rate, number admitted applicants who enrolled, and admissions yield (i.e., number enrolled out of number admitted) for fiscal years (FY; fall, spring, summer terms) 2017, 2018, and 2019.

GRE Percentiles

Admissions Year	Verbal	Quantitative	Analytical
FY 2017 - 2019 Applicants	42	34	38
FY 2017 - 2019 Admits	50	42	45
FY 2017 - 2019 Newly Enrolled	50	42	44

Average GRE verbal, quantitative, and analytical writing percentiles for all applicants, admitted applicants, and newly enrolled students calculated across fiscal years (FY) 2017, 2018, and 2019.

Faculty Demographics

Department Faculty	Fall 2018
Total	49
Tenured/Tenure Track	27
Full-time Non-tenure Track	17
Part-time Instructors	5
Graduate Faculty	24
Graduate Faculty to MS Student Ratio	1:6.5

Number of instructional faculty in department by rank and status for Fall 2018.

Enrollment Demographics

Program Enrollment	Fall 15 -17 Avg	Fall 2018 (n; % enrolled)
Total	176	158
Full Time (≥ 9 hours)	150	124; 78%
Underrepresented Minority ¹	69	74; 47%
Non-resident Alien	28	27; 17%
Female	103	94; 59%

¹Underrepresented Minority includes all students that do not identify as white, Asian, or white-Asian students.

Graduation Statistics

Time to Degree			Graduation Rate of New M.S. Students in 2014				
Year of completion	Total	Median years to degree	Cohort	Cohort (n)	Completed within 2 years (n; %)	Completed within 3 years (n; %)	Completed within 5 years (n; %)
FY 2013 - 2015	256	2	FY 2011 - 2014	321	208; 65%	234; 73%	254; 79%
FY 2016 - 2018	248	2					

Median time to degree completion for students graduating with MS in fiscal years (FY) 2013 – 2015, and fiscal years 2016 – 2018, and the number and percent of new graduates who completed their degree within 2, 3, and 5 years of starting degree.

Post-Graduation Plans of Degree Recipients

Post-Graduation Plans of Degree Recipients Reported FY 2016 - FY2019		
Employment or Training Type	Secured at time of completion	Not secured at time of completion
Four-year college or university teaching and/or research position		
Post-doctoral fellowship or research		
Employment in non-profit organization		2
Employment in a school or community college		1
Employment in business or industry	1	9
Self-employment		
Further graduate study	5	15
Not seeking employment at this time		3

Source: MS Exit Survey. Post-Graduation plans reported at time of graduation.