

Application Related:

To be eligible for funding and admission review, ALL applications must have the following material submitted and uploaded by February 1, 2025 (details can be found on the graduate school website at <https://graduateschool.colostate.edu/apply/>):

- Statement of Purpose
- Answers to any supplemental question
- Personal History Statement
- *Unofficial* GRE scores
- *Unofficial* transcripts from all universities
- *Unofficial* English Proficiency scores (if applicable)
- 3 complete recommendations must be received by the recommenders

Items that must be completed prior to submitting the general application:

- Statement of Purpose
- Names/Contact information for 3 recommenders
- Answers to any supplemental questions
- Personal History Statement

Items that should be uploaded to the application portal AFTER the general application is submitted are indicated below. Applicants log-in to the application portal and will see the option to “upload” material to the application:

- *Unofficial* GRE scores
- *Unofficial* transcripts from all universities
- *Unofficial* English Proficiency scores (if applicable)

GRE

The GRE is required of EVERY applicant and will not be waived. There are no minimum scores required. The test date must not be older than 5 years. The department will accept the *unofficial* scores, which means you may upload a copy of the score report received from the testing center after you click ‘submit’ on your application.

English Proficiency - <https://graduateschool.colostate.edu/admissions-resources/english-proficiency/>

English proficiency scores *may* be required of both domestic and international students, depending on the situation. Review the website address above. If applicable to your application, this university requirement will not be waived. While exemptions exist, it is your responsibility to determine if you are required to provide English Proficiency scores. The department will accept the *unofficial* scores for review, which means you may upload a copy of the scores received from the testing center after you click ‘submit’ on your application. However, if you are recommended for admission, you will be required to provide the *official* scores to the university before you will receive an admission letter.

Application Fee Waiver/Free Application Days - <https://graduateschool.colostate.edu/skip-the-application-fee/>

While the Graduate School does offer application fee waivers for specific circumstances, they DO NOT offer waivers for financial hardship. However, they do offer free application days! To avoid paying the fee, applicants may start an application now but will not click “submit” until one of the dates listed below (**no refunds given for already submitted applications and applications submitted after the dates will be charged**).

Free application days are January 14-15, 2025. The following will need to be complete before applicants can submit:

- Names and contact information for recommenders/references
- Upload Statement of Purpose
- Upload CV/resume
- Supplemental question responses
- Personal History Statement

Applicants may submit their application on a free day and upload the required *unofficial* GRE scores, English proficiency scores, and transcripts after they submit.

Decision Timeline

There are no early decisions. All applications that have the required documents uploaded to the application portal will be reviewed after February 1, 2025. Admission recommendation decisions will be sent before March 2025.

Program Related:

Apply to PhD without a Masters

Applicants that do not hold a Master's degree are permitted to apply to the PhD program, but we typically recommend that students without any graduate coursework apply to the MS program.

Calculus

If you are not comfortable with multi-variable calculus, you should consider taking additional calculus courses prior to starting this program.

Funding/Assistantships

ALL complete applications received by the February 1, 2025 deadline will also be considered for an assistantship.

Assistantships provide a full tuition waiver, monthly stipend, and health insurance. Assistantship funding is guaranteed for 2 years for MS and 4 years for PhD.

Grad assistants are assigned as either TAs or RAs depending on departmental needs and student interests.