

# **Toxicology at Texas A&M University**

## **Graduate Studies: Admission Requirements and Procedures**

### **Academic Background**

Admission into the toxicology program requires the successful completion of courses in advanced biology and/or chemistry or their equivalents. Applicants who cannot demonstrate sufficient knowledge in these areas may be required to take additional courses. The toxicology program requires a minimum grade point average of 3.0 on a 4-point scale for the last 60 hours of undergraduate credits or 30 hours of graduate credits. Grades earned during the applicant's entire college career are considered.

### **GRE**

The toxicology program requires a minimum General Record Exam score of 1000 on the verbal and quantitative sections. Specific subject tests are not required. Test scores should be from a test date within five years of the date the application form reaches the Office of Admissions. To allow sufficient time to receive exam scores, applicants should take the GRE by January to apply for Fall admission and June for Spring admission.

### **Test of English as a Foreign Language**

The TOEFL score from within the last two years is required from applicants whose native language is not English, with the exception of those applicants completing all four years of a baccalaureate degree in the United States or achieving a 400 Verbal GRE. A TOEFL score of 550 or higher is required for admission.

### **Recommendation Letters**

Three recommendation letters are required. Recommendations by research advisor(s) or professors are preferred.

### **Interviews and Campus Visits**

Applicants may request an informational interview with faculty. Personal interviews are not required and are viewed as an opportunity for the applicant to become better acquainted with the toxicology program. Itineraries to meet faculty members and current graduate students can be arranged. Contact the Faculty of Toxicology for information.

### **Deadlines**

Rolling admission begins March 1 and ends June 30 for the Fall semester and August 1 through November 30 for the Spring semester. Students are notified by mail. Applicants are encouraged to maintain contact with the toxicology office to ensure that the Faculty of Toxicology received all admission documents.

### **Admission Procedures**

1. Submit original application form or electronic application ([www.tamu.edu/admissions/Grad/index.shtml](http://www.tamu.edu/admissions/Grad/index.shtml)) and fee to Office of Graduate Admissions or Office of International Admissions. Send a photocopy of the application form to the Faculty of Toxicology.

2. Arrange for each college or institution to send two official transcripts and one copy of an official statement of the degree or diploma awarded to the admissions office. See Application for Graduate Admission for specific requirements. Send an unofficial copy of transcript(s) to the Faculty of Toxicology.

3. Have Educational Testing Services send official test scores to Texas A&M University (Code 6003). Send an unofficial copy of test scores to the Faculty of Toxicology.

4. Arrange for three individuals to send recommendation letters to the Faculty of Toxicology.

**The Offices of Graduate Admissions and International Admissions will not forward application files to the Faculty of Toxicology until items 1-3 above are received. The toxicology program may evaluate applications based on unofficial documents sent directly to the toxicology office until the official records are received from the admissions office. Admission cannot be granted until application files are complete.**