International Agribusiness

Department Information

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- **Application Deadline:**
  March 1 for fall semester, October 1 for spring semester
- **Credential Offered:**
  M.S.
- **Test Requirement:**
  GRE or GMAT
- **English Proficiency Requirements:**
  TOEFL ibt 79; IELTS 6.5; Duolingo 105

In addition to the Graduate School admission requirements, applicants must have earned a grade of B or higher in intermediate microeconomics and statistics including linear regression, and a grade of C or better in calculus.

Applicants must submit their complete application by March 1 for fall enrollment and October 1 for spring enrollment to guarantee admission and funding consideration. Admission will only be considered for candidates who submit a complete application.

It is desirable that students begin their program in the fall semester, although students may begin their program in the spring.

Financial Assistance

The Department offers assistantships on a competitive basis. Granting assistantships depends on academic performance, departmental needs, and availability of assistantships. Graduate Research Assistantships (GRAs) provide monthly stipends. Students on assistantship perform research or teaching duties in the department in return for their stipend. Most assistantships are half-time (20 hours per week) or one-quarter-time (10 hours per week). Assistantships are typically limited to 16 months.

In addition to the stipend, graduate assistants receive a graduate tuition waiver. Tuition waivers cover base tuition for NDSU graduate credits only. Students are responsible for differential tuition, student fees, and tuition for non-graduate level credits taken or Cooperative Education credits.

Assistantships do not begin until the first semester of full graduate standing when courses that apply for the Master of Science degree are taken.