Plant Sciences/Horticulture

Department Information

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- **Application Deadline:**
  International applications are due May 1 for Fall and October 15 for Spring. Domestic applicants should apply at least one month prior to the start of classes.
- **Credential Offered:**
  Ph.D. (Plant Sciences only), M.S.
- **Test Requirement:**
  GRE
- **English Proficiency Requirements:**
  TOEFL iBT 71, IELTS 6; Duolingo 100

The Department of Plant Sciences graduate programs are open to all qualified graduates of universities and colleges of recognized standing. To be admitted with full status to the program, the applicant must meet Graduate School and department admission requirements.

**Financial Assistance**

Graduate research assistantships (half-time) are provided on a competitive basis based on scholarship and potential to undertake advanced study and research. The information provided within the application to Graduate School is used to assign available assistantships to applicants. The annual stipend varies based on the research project. In addition to the stipend, graduate assistants who meet the hours worked requirement each semester receive a graduate tuition waiver. Students are responsible for differential tuition, student fees, and tuition for non-graduate level credits taken or Cooperative Education credits.

A limited number of graduate fellowships are available.

The Department of Plant Sciences has numerous annual scholarships of $500 to $1000 each for outstanding Plant Sciences graduate students.