Sustainable Development, MS

Admission

Applicants must meet the admission requirements of the Graduate College; see the Manual of Rules and Regulations and the Graduate College Admission Requirements on the Graduate College website and the sustainable development admission requirements.

Prospective students must hold a baccalaureate degree or the equivalent from an accredited institution with preparation appropriate for advanced study in the field of sustainability. Students with an undergraduate degree in natural and social sciences, technology, engineering, and/or mathematics will be well prepared to thrive in this interdisciplinary degree program. The program is intentionally designed to be inclusive for students coming from different and diverse academic backgrounds given the broad range of perspectives and expertise that are needed in moving society closer toward sustainable development goals.

Application materials must include:

- one- or two-page self-statement describing an applicant’s interest in the sustainable development program, how formal and informal experiences make the applicant a good fit for the program, and how the applicant can uniquely contribute to the program; the statement should briefly discuss the career path(s) the applicant intends to pursue upon completion of the degree;
- a résumé; and
- three letters of recommendation.

Applicants whose first language is not English must submit official test scores to verify English proficiency. They can verify English proficiency by submitting official test scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), the International English Language Testing System (IELTS), or the Duolingo English Test (DET).