BAE Graduate Admissions:

<u>Application Deadlines:</u>

Applications may be submitted at any time through a year. However, to facilitate timely review of your application and ensure your application receiving full consideration, please complete and submit your application **at least 30 days prior** to the deadline to allow sufficient time for your references to provide letters of recommendation on your behalf. The application deadlines are shown below.

Fall semester (beginning August) admission:

January 15 for international applicants; March 15 for domestic applicants

Spring semester (beginning January) admission:

July 15 for international applicants; August 15 for domestic applicants

<u>Admission Requirements:</u>

To be reviewed for admission consideration, applicants must submit a complete application package to the [OSU Graduate College online application portal](#). The package should include:

1. Create an application account at https://grad.okstate.edu/apply/.
2. A non-refundable application fee:
    - $75 for international applicants
    - $50 for US citizens or permanent resident card holders
3. An original transcript from each college or university attended (all transcripts must be official with the college's or registrar's original seal and should show any degrees completed)
4. A TOEFL or IELTS score (OSU's institution code is 6546). Either examination must have been taken within the last two years. The minimum scores for graduate admission is TOFEL > 79, IELTS > 6.5.
5. GRE is not required for BAE graduate admission. However, it may be considered during the evaluation for graduate assistantship.
6. A current CV or resume.
7. A Personal Statement and Goals (2-page statement indicating why you have applied to the BAE Graduate Program at OSU, and specific research area(s) and/or faculty member(s) you would like to work with, if admitted.)
8. The names and email addresses for at least three references to provide letters of recommendation

BAE Graduate Program Admission Review Process:

To be admitted by the BAE graduate program, a variety of factors are considered during the application review process, such as academic background (e.g. the prior degree program(s), specific courses taken, GPA, test scores (e.g. TOEFL/IELTS, GRE), Personal Statement and Goals, research interests, and references.

Minimum Program Requirements:

- Degree:
    - An undergraduate degree in Biosystems Engineering or other Engineering from an ABET accredited or equivalent program ([ABET Accredited Programs](#)).

- Students with undergraduate degrees in disciplines or closely-related fields, such as chemistry, physics, mathematics, biological sciences, agricultural sciences, and environmental sciences are also invited to apply for BAE graduate program. Such applications are evaluated on an individual basis. Additional credit hours of undergraduate courses (such as engineering sciences) may be required to take before a BAE graduate Plan of Study is developed.
- Grade Point Average (GPA): GPA > 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale). Equivalent credentials are required from an international university.
- Prior research experience and publication for a PhD application are preferred.

Admission Review Process

After an application is forwarded by the OSU Graduate College to BAE, the following three-step admission review process is used:

Step 1: BAE Graduate Committee formed by four BAE faculty members evaluates the application package and provides an initial admission recommendation.

Step 2: The application with the initial recommendation is forwarded to all BAE faculty for further evaluation. If a faculty (or multiple faculty) is interested in accepting the application, an "Admit" decision will be made and a graduate assistantship availability will be further evaluated. If no faculty is interested in the application, a Rejection decision will be made.

Step 3: A final admission decision will be submitted to Graduate College. The admission decisions include:
- Admit with a GRA
- Admit with no GRA
- Admit with provisional requirements
- Reject