

CURRICULUM CROP AND SOIL

Up to 5 students may be recruited.

The selection of students is based on shared responsibility between the University of Padova and the University of Georgia.

Selection process:

Applications to the curriculum Crop and Soil have to be submitted before 15th December 2016 to the Academic Board of Sustainable Agriculture. Applications should be delivered to the School of Agriculture and Veterinary Medicine Office.

Students will be pre-selected based on CV, motivation letter and an interview.

The ranking results will be announced by 15th January 2017.

Final acceptance of the students is responsibility of the University of Georgia.

Additional admission requirements to be achieved before 15th April 2017:

1. English Language Proficiency Requirement:

Students whose primary language is not English must submit official TOEFL or IELTS scores that are not more than two years old.

If submitting the TOEFL: a minimum score of 550 (paper-based) or overall score of 80 on the Internet Based Test (IBT) with at least 20 on speaking and 20 on writing. If submitting the IELTS: a minimum overall band-width of 6.5, with no single band (score) below 6.0.

Students who have received degrees from institutions in countries where English is the primary language usually are not required to submit the TOEFL (or IELTS) scores unless the degree was received more than two years prior to application to the Graduate School.

2. Entrance Test Score GRE:

Scores on the Verbal and Quantitative sections of the General Test of the Graduate Record Examinations (GRE) are required (minimum score 300).

The general test of the GRE is offered year-round as a computer-based test at centers worldwide. Advance registration for tests is required. Information on the GRE can be obtained from the following sources:

Web: <http://www.gre.org>

E-mail: gre@ets.org

Application to University of Georgia procedure:

Deadline: 15th April 2017

Application for admission to the Graduate School may be filed in an electronic on-line application: <https://www.applyweb.com/ugagrad/>

All applicants must provide an active e-mail address for contact regarding application processing. Official acceptance is conveyed to the applicant in a formal letter issued by the Office of Graduate Admissions.

The following items have to be submitted for admission:

- 1. Graduate School application form**

2. *Unofficial Transcripts and Academic Records from each institution you attended.* Official transcripts will be required after the admission; proof of degree conferred and date must be clearly indicated.
<http://grad.uga.edu/index.php/prospective-students/international-application-information/international-supplement/country-specific/>
3. *Official TOEFL or IELTS scores.* They must be sent by the testing agency to the Office of Graduate Admissions directly by the responsible testing agency. UGA institutional code for ETS reporting is 5813.
4. *Entrance test score (GRE).* In addition to self-reported scores, Entrance Test Score must be sent to the Office of Graduate Admissions directly by the responsible testing agency. UGA institutional code for ETS reporting is 5813. Please note that listing UGA (ETS school code: 5813) as an Undergraduate Institution is NOT sufficient for ETS to send UGA a copy of the score report. You MUST list UGA (5813) as an actual Score Recipient.
5. *Three letters of recommendation in support of the application for admission.*
List the names of recommenders in the fields on page three of the application along with their e-mail addresses. They will receive a link to access a secure page where they can submit your recommendation quickly and easily via the Web.
6. *Certification of finances forms:*
<http://grad.uga.edu/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/COFGEN16.pdf>
7. *Resume and Statement of Purpose.*
A resume and letter describing student background and interest in pursuing a graduate program in Crop & Soil Sciences should be sent directly to the graduate coordinator at the address listed below, or via email to mcabrera@uga.edu

GRADUATE COORDINATOR
DEPARTMENT OF CROP & SOIL SCIENCES
THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA
120 CARLTON ST
3111 MILLER PLANT SCIENCES BLDG
ATHENS, GA 30602-7272

For additional information:

Graduate School :

Web: <http://grad.uga.edu/index.php/prospective-students/international-application-information/>
e-mail: gradadm@uga.edu

Crop and Soil Department: <http://grad.uga.edu/index.php/current-students/policies-procedures/academics/degree-programs/5119/crop-and-soil-sciences-ms/>

Tuition and fees:

General information: <http://www.bursar.uga.edu/tuition.html>

Students may receive financial aid in the form of 40%-time assistantships, that currently pay \$18,078. All students on assistantship receive out-of-state tuition waivers and in-state fee reductions. Reduced in-state tuition (\$25) and incidental fees amount to approximately \$1,154/semester in fall and spring semesters and \$892 in summer semester. The latest incidental fees can be found at http://www.bursar.uga.edu/tuition_fees.html

Students on 40%-time assistantships are expected to work an average of 16 hours per week over and beyond the work required to earn credits.

In addition, all students on graduate assistantships are required to enroll in a mandatory health insurance program that is partially subsidized by the University. The student cost for the mandatory health insurance is approximately \$1215/year. The latest premiums for health insurance can be found at <http://www.hr.uga.edu/mandatory-plan-premiums>.

Additional information on health insurance: <http://www.hr.uga.edu/student-health-insurance>

All international students must pay the U.S. government required Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) fee of \$100 before entering the United States.

The number of available assistantships will be announced by October 2016.

During the mobility period, students will pay regular tuition fees to the University of Padova.

Requirements to award degrees from UNIPD and UGA:

1. To complete the expected plan of study;
2. To pass each exam with a minimum grade of B at UGA and 25/30 at UNIPD.