



GEORGIA'S HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY

School of Graduate Studies
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Doctor of Philosophy with a Major in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Cellular Biology and Anatomy, Genomic Medicine, Molecular Medicine, Neuroscience, Oral Biology and Maxillofacial Pathology, Pharmacology, Physiology and Vascular Biology

Admission Requirements

- Completed [Online Application for Graduate Programs](#)
- **Application Fee:** **\$30
- Application **Deadlines:**

DECEMBER 31** – Fall entry
JANUARY 15 – Fall entry

Note: Applications and supporting materials received after the program deadline will be considered on a space-available basis.

** The December 31 deadline is for:

A) applicants who are US citizens (or hold permanent resident status) to receive an application fee refund; or **(B)** applicants to submit international transcripts for consideration to receive a transcript evaluation at the expense of MCG.

- **Minimum Degree Requirement and Official transcripts:** Bachelor's degree or equivalent from an accredited college or university.

Official transcripts are required from all universities and colleges ever attended. Only in the case of transcripts from international colleges/universities will an official course-by-course transcript evaluation be accepted in lieu of an official transcript.

Official transcripts should be sent to MCG's Office of Academic Admission as part of your "[Admissions Packet](#)". To remain official, all transcripts must remain in the original, unopened, sealed and stamped/signed envelope from the Registrar's office of the issuing institution. Alternatively, transcripts can be mailed to MCG's Office of Academic Admission directly from the Registrar's office of the issuing institution.

- **Transcript/credential evaluation of foreign transcripts:** An official, professional course-by-course evaluation is required for all foreign educational transcripts and documents from one of the following three credentials evaluation services: Josef Silny & Associates, Inc., World Education Services (WES), Educational Credential Evaluators, Inc. (ECE)

Biomedical Science Ph.D. applicants can request consideration to receive a credentials evaluation at the expense of MCG. Applications, official transcripts and other application materials must be sent to MCG by December 31 to be eligible to receive this consideration.

- **References:** References/recommendations from three individuals are required using the [Admissions Reference Form for Graduate Programs at the Medical College of Georgia](#). Referees should be individuals qualified to assess your prior academic, employment, artistic, research and/or clinical experience, qualifications and potential, as applicable.

- **GRE requirement:** Official GRE scores are required (only the General GRE test is required).

All official GRE scores must be submitted to MCG's OAA directly from the [Education Testing Service \(ETS\)](#) and must be less than five years old. The institution code for submission of GRE scores to MCG is 5406. Please do not select a department code.

- * **TOEFL exam scores:** Minimum score of 550 paper-based, 213 computer based or 79 internet based.

Official Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) test scores are required for applicants whose first language is not English. The institution code for submission of TOEFL scores to MCG is 5406. Please do not select a department code.

Exemption from the TOEFL requirement is allowed for graduate students who submit proof of earning a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited U.S. college/university where English is the language of instruction.

Program Specific Requirements

- None

Admission Recommendations

- **GPA:** Minimum overall undergraduate GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- **GRE:** Minimum GRE score of 1000 (sum of verbal and quantitative sections).
- **Experience:** Laboratory research experience documented in one or more letters of recommendation from a supervisor or mentor.
- **Pre-requisite Coursework:** Although no specific science courses are pre-requisites, a strong science course load is recommended.

** Substitutions and/or waivers of minimum requirements must first be supported and approved at the program level and then formally approved by the Dean of the School of Graduate Studies.*

** While every effort is made to maintain this information as current, it may be subject to change. Please check with MCG's Office of Academic Admission for recent updates.*

** Applications deferred to another semester are subject to all admission requirements and program requirements in effect for the semester to which they are deferred.*