Master of Biomedical Sciences: MBS

The Master of Biomedical Sciences (MBS) is a coursework master’s program offered by the Ontario Veterinary College that draws on expertise across three departments: Biomedical Sciences, Clinical Studies, and Pathobiology. The MBS program develops graduate training and provides students with hard and soft skills that will prepare them for successful careers.

uoguelph.ca/ovc/master-biomedical-sciences-mbs

Program

The Master of Biomedical Sciences (MBS) is a coursework program with a major research project/paper or an experiential learning practicum (depending on the research area), to be completed in approximately three semesters. This research project or literature review is completed under the supervision of a faculty advisor.

Research Fields

- Biomedical Toxicology and Pharmacology
- Cancer Biology
- Cellular and Molecular Basis of Health and Disease
- Comparative Immunology and Infectious Diseases
- Neurosciences
- Reproductive Biotechnology
- Stem Cell and Regenerative Medicine
- Veterinary Sciences

Academic Departments

MBS degree programs are offered by three academic departments:

- Department of Pathobiology
- Department of Clinical Studies
- Department of Biomedical Sciences.

Students may apply to complete Applied Reproductive Biotechnologies or Applied Toxicology practica and related coursework.

Admission Requirements

Students are encouraged to reach out to a prospective faculty advisor before applying for admission.

- Honours baccalaureate degree in the Biological Sciences (or in a relevant field), or a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree (or the equivalent) with a minimum ‘B’ standing in the last four semesters of study
- Letters of reference from two individuals who can adequately evaluate the academic and research capabilities of the applicant
- Short statement of the applicant’s area of interest and career goals

Application Deadlines:

**Domestic:**
- Fall Entry: June 1
- Winter Entry: December 1
- Summer Entry: February 1

**International:**
- Fall Entry: March 1
- Winter Entry: July 1
- Summer Entry: November 1

(Reproductive Biotechnology field has a mandatory Fall semester start)

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN:

- Cancer development and treatment
- How pregnancy is maintained and regulated
- Veterinary and infectious disease
- How the heart and brain work
- Toxicology
- Regenerative Medicine

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

- Healthcare (e.g. Dentist, Pharmacist, Physiotherapist)
- Veterinary medicine and animal health
- Government
- Biomedical Research
- Medical school
- Diagnostic activities in private and public sector laboratories

CONTACT INFORMATION

- Biomedical Sciences Graduate Program Assistant: bmsgrad@uoguelph.ca
- Pathobiology Graduate Program Assistant: pathgrad@uoguelph.ca
- Clinical Studies Graduate Program Assistant: csgrad@uoguelph.ca