

**Application Instructions**  
**Graduate Degree Programs in Zoology**  
**Department of Zoology**  
**Miami University**  
**Oxford, OH 45056**

**All application materials should be downloaded electronically as PDF files from the Department of Zoology website (<http://zoology.muohio.edu/zoo/graduate/apply.html>).**

**1) A complete application must include the following (to be sent directly to: Graduate School, Miami University, Oxford, OH 45056 USA):**

- a) If you are a US Citizen, you should submit your application form and pay the non-refundable \$35 application fee electronically (<http://www.muohio.edu/gradschool>).
- b) Two official copies of transcripts for all undergraduate and graduate work.
- c) An official copy of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) general test.
- d) For most international applicants, an official copy of scores on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) is also required.

**2) The Department of Zoology also requires the following items before you will be considered for a teaching assistantship (to be sent directly to: Graduate Admissions, Department of Zoology, Miami University, Oxford, OH 45056 USA):**

- a) Three letters of recommendation (form available from website).
- b) A letter outlining professional goals, research interests, and potential faculty advisor(s). We encourage you to contact individual faculty members with whom you share a research interest (email links available on our web site: <http://zoology.muohio.edu>) prior to submitting your application. To be admitted, you must identify at least one faculty member that is willing to serve as your advisor.

Screening of applications will begin on January 5 and continue until all available positions are filled. To receive full consideration for the available positions in the Zoology graduate program, all application materials should be received by that date. However, applications will be accepted after that date and will be considered if there are any assistantships available.

Once an application is complete, the Graduate School will recommend admission or denial to the department. If you are accepted into the department (with an assistantship), the Graduate School is notified and they give the final approval for acceptance into the Graduate Program.