



PLANT PATHOLOGY (PHD)

Description

Coursework is offered in plant pathology that enables students to acquire specialized skills and core plant pathology-specific knowledge. Specific skills of plant pathologists include disease diagnosis, plant pathogen isolation and culturing, and identification of plant pathogenic organisms. Core plant pathology-specific knowledge areas include the biology and ecology of plant pathogenic organisms; plant disease epidemiology; evolution, phylogenetics, and systematics of plant pathogens; molecular, cellular and genetic interactions between plant pathogens and plants; and plant disease management strategies.

Program-Related Information

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Program Website

<https://plantpathology.unl.edu/>

Applying for Admission

Standard requirements for all graduate programs

- Application for Admission with \$50 non-refundable application fee (<https://graduate.unl.edu/admissions/requirements/#appfee>).
- Transcripts (<https://graduate.unl.edu/admissions/requirements/#transcripts>) (unofficial): Uploaded as part of application form.
If International: Uploads must include all college- or university-level transcripts or mark sheets (records of courses and marks earned), with certificates, diplomas, and degrees plus certified English translations.

After admission: Official documents are required from all students who are admitted and enroll. Photocopies of certified records are not acceptable. International students enrolled in other U.S. institutions may have certified copies of all foreign records sent directly to the Office of Graduate Studies by their current school's registrar office.

- If applicant's native language is not English, verification of English proficiency (<https://graduate.unl.edu/admissions/english-proficiency/>) is required.
When sending TOEFL scores, our institution code is 6877 and a department code is not needed.
- If applicant is not a US citizen and expects an F or J visa: financial information (<https://graduate.unl.edu/prospective/international/financial/>).
- Applicants must also fulfill any additional requirements the department specifies at the time of application.

Additional requirements specific to this program

- CV/Resume
- Personal Statement: A letter of intent that describes professional goals and reasons for applying to Plant Pathology, including a description of research interests and/or areas of focus.
- Three letters of recommendation
- Faculty (optional): If interested in research, indicate up to three faculty members with whom you would be interested in working.

Admission Application Deadlines

April 15 for Fall. For financial consideration, apply for Fall by December 15; applications submitted after that date may be considered if funding and space are available.

Applications for Spring admission are considered only at the request of a faculty member on behalf of an applicant.