

# ENTOMOLOGY AND PLANT PATHOLOGY

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## Graduate Programs

### Advanced Degree Programs

The Department of Entomology and Plant Pathology offers programs of study that lead to the MS of Entomology and Plant Pathology, the PhD in Entomology, or the PhD in Plant Pathology. These programs offer students opportunities to specialize in a wide range of basic or applied research fields. To qualify for graduate study in entomology and/or plant pathology an applicant should obtain a solid background in the basic sciences, especially biology, chemistry, mathematics, English, and communications skills. All requirements of the Graduate College must be satisfied for entry to the graduate programs. In addition, applicants for graduate programs should take the Graduate Record Examination and submit their scores. Students applying to the graduate program must be accepted into a research program by a major professor. The applicant must secure appropriate financial support in the form of a scholarship, fellowship, or graduate assistantship to be negotiated with the major professor and department and be approved by the departmental screening committee and department head before being admitted to the Department. Each graduate student is under the direction of the major professor as advisor and a selected faculty advisory committee. The program of study is adapted to the individual's needs within departmental and Graduate College guidelines. Graduate students are required to meet with their advisory committees every six months for program reports. Each student will follow a program of study and research approved by the student's committee and must submit an approved thesis or dissertation and present a public defense. Students supported as half-time research assistants are expected to be active participants in the research projects of their major professors. Additional information regarding the graduate programs in Entomology and Plant Pathology may be obtained from the department's website at: <https://agriculture.okstate.edu/departments-programs/entomol-plant-path/>.