The MS in Applied Mathematics program is intended for students wishing to pursue a career in applied mathematics. It is also suitable as preparation for a PhD program in Applied Mathematics. It is rare for students to enter the PhD program at the University of Illinois after finishing this degree. Students may choose one of three tracks: Optimization and Algorithms, Applications to the Sciences, or Computational Science and Engineering. This degree program requires 32 credit hours and can normally be completed in 18 months. A master's thesis is optional. Applications are accepted for Fall semester. Financial aid is generally not available.

Students pursuing the M.S. in Applied Mathematics have the opportunity to customize their studies the following ways:

- Through the Computational Science and Engineering Concentration.
- By completing the coursework for the option in Optimization and Algorithms;
- By completing the coursework for the option in Applications to the Sciences;
- By completing the coursework for the option in Computational Science and Engineering.

For additional details and requirements refer to the Department of Mathematics Graduate Guide and the Graduate College Handbook.

### Thesis Option

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Choose one of these three (3) options:

#### Optimization and Algorithms Option

Courses from at least three (3) of the following areas: Optimization, Control Theory and Coding Theory, Combinatorics and Graph Theory, Algorithms and Theory of Computation, Statistics (including core courses listed below)

Select four (4) of the following:

- MATH 412 Graph Theory
- MATH 413 Intro to Combinatorics
- MATH/CS 450 Numerical Analysis
- MATH/CS 473 Algorithms
- ASRM 450/STAT 420 Methods of Applied Statistics
- MATH 482 Linear Programming
- MATH 484 Nonlinear Programming

#### Applications to the Sciences Option

Select three (3) of the following:

- MATH 489 Dynamics & Differential Eqns
- MATH 550 Dynamical Systems I
- MATH 553 Partial Differential Equations
- MATH 558 Methods of Applied Mathematics

Credit hours in a department other than Mathematics, providing substantive applications of differential equations and applied mathematics.

#### Computational Science and Engineering Option

- MATH 550 Dynamical Systems I or MATH 553 Partial Differential Equations

Choose one (1) advanced course in Algebra or Analysis:

- MATH 418 Intro to Abstract Algebra II
- MATH 448 Complex Variables
- MATH 540 Real Analysis
- MATH 542 Complex Variables I
12 hours from CSE courses (at least 4 in MATH, 4 not in MATH)  

Total Hours 32

Other Requirements

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Minimum hours required within the unit: 20  
Minimum 500-level hours required overall: 12 (8 in Mathematics)  
Minimum GPA: 3.0  
Total Hours (graduate study) 32

Non-Thesis Option

For all options:  
Coursework to total 32 hours in MATH or ASRM (in consultation with advisor).  
Choose one of these three (3) options:

Optimization and Algorithms Option

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Total Hours 32

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