

MICROBIOLOGY, MS

for the degree of Master of Science in Microbiology

The Department of Microbiology does not admit students to the Microbiology MS degree program. Admission to graduate study is only through the PhD degree program. Information about the Microbiology PhD program can be found here (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/las/microbiology-phd/>).

For specific information, refer to the Department's Graduate Student Handbook (https://mcb.illinois.edu/departments/microbiology/downloads/microbiology_graduate_student_handbook.pdf) and the Graduate College Handbook (<http://www.grad.illinois.edu/gradhandbook/>).

Thesis Option

Code	Title	Hours
Coursework (not including MICR 590)		8
Research/Project Hours (4 min applied toward degree)		4
MICR 599	Thesis Research (0 min applied toward degree)	0
Total Hours		32

Other Requirements

Requirement	Description
Other requirements may overlap	
Minimum Hours Required Within the Unit:	8 (500 level)
Minimum Number of 500-level Hours Required Overall in Program:	12
Completion of one of the following and approval by the research advisor and head of the department: a research thesis; submission of a manuscript with the candidate as first author and to which the candidate has made the major contribution; the successful passing of the departmental preliminary exam.	
Minimum GPA:	3.0

Non-Thesis Option

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Coursework (not including MICR 590)		8
Research/Project Hours (4 min applied toward degree)		4
Total Hours		32

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