The Master of Science in Environmental Science is designed to provide broad interdisciplinary training in those areas of the biological, engineering, physical, chemical, and social sciences that are important in solving environmental problems. Graduates are prepared for careers in both governmental agencies and private companies working on such problems as pollution control, environmental impact, and urban planning, and for careers in environmental education.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

The Master of Science program in Environmental Science requires 30 credits with an average of at least 3.0 (B) to complete the degree. The courses normally include:

- The Biosphere and Our Species
- Community Ecology
- Earth Science
- Applied Environmental Science

Also, one course from an approved list of graduate courses in the social sciences, and a thesis project for a minimum of three to a maximum of six credits. The remaining 12 credits are chosen so that the concentration will be in either environmental biology or applied environmental science.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor’s degree in a natural science or in engineering
- Overall average GPA of B minus, or the equivalent, in undergraduate work and an average of B, or the equivalent in undergraduate science and engineering courses

UNDERGRADUATE REQUIREMENTS

- One year of general chemistry
- One year of general physics
- One year of mathematics through differential and integral calculus
- One semester of ecology

Candidates who are deficient in one or more of these requirements may be accepted on the expectation that they will make up the deficiency without receiving graduate credit for it.
APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Graduate Application:
The application must be completed online at www.csi.cuny.edu/graduatestudies.

Transcripts:
Applicants must request official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions attended. If you are currently enrolled in a post-secondary institution, have one transcript sent now and another sent when you complete the courses that you are taking. Applicants who have been enrolled at CSI do not need to request a CSI transcript; the Office of Recruitment and Admissions will obtain a copy.

Application Fee:
A $125.00 non-refundable application fee is required of all applicants. Please make your check or money order payable to the College of Staten Island.

Graduate Record Examination (GRE):
Applicants are required to submit scores for the General Aptitude Test. For additional information or to register for the exam, please visit www.gre.org. Our institutional code for the GRE is 2778. Applicants should take these examinations no later than February for fall admission and July for spring admission.

TOEFL or IELTS:
The TOEFL or IELTS exam is a requirement of students for whom English is a second language.

Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL):
Minimum required score is 79 (Internet). For additional information or to register for the exam, please visit the TOEFL website at www.ets.org. Our institutional code is 2778.

International English Language Testing System (IELTS):
We will only accept the academic exam scores. The minimum required score is 6.5 (overall band). For additional information or to register for the exam, please visit the IELTS website at www.ielts.org.

All documents must be submitted to the Office of Recruitment and Admissions.

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