



Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences: Application Checklist

Eligibility:

- Have earned at least a bachelor's degree by the time of enrollment, with a background in natural sciences.
- Strong academic ability, evidenced by a cumulative undergraduate GPA of at least 3.0. A holistic admission decision will be based on multiple factors, including your motivation for pursuing this degree, work history, volunteer activities, and other extracurricular involvement.
- Completion of the following prerequisite course requirements before the start of the program:
 - General Chemistry (two semesters)
 - Organic Chemistry (two semesters)
 - Biochemistry (at least one semester)
 - Introductory Biology (one semester)
 - Cellular/Molecular Biology (one semester)
 - Physiology or Anatomy & Physiology is recommended, but not required
- In lieu of the prerequisite courses, students may be eligible for admission with an MCAT score of above 500 with no sub-score below 123 (30th percentile), as an indication that they have some background in all those areas.
- US citizen or permanent resident. (International students interested in specific coursework should please contact the Program Director).

To Apply:

- 1) Visit the PostBacCAS website: <https://postbaccas.liasoncas.com>, click "Create Account", and complete the online application. (Preferred browsers are Google Chrome or Firefox).
- 2) Submit the following supplemental application documents to PostBacCAS:
 - a. Official transcripts from each institution attended
 - i. Enter the information for each institution attended in the "Academic History" section of your PostBacCAS online application, then click "Order" next to each school to have an official transcript sent from that school directly to PostBacCAS.
 - b. Current resume
 - i. Upload to the Loras College "Program Materials" section of your PostBacCAS online application.
 - c. Two Letters of Recommendation
 - i. Create two Recommendation Requests in the "Supporting Information" section of your PostBacCAS online application, which will then be emailed to your references. Your references will upload their recommendation directly to an Evaluator Portal which will then automatically get sent to PostBacCAS.

Application Deadlines:

- For students applying to begin in Fall: the PostBacCAS online application should be submitted and all supplemental application documents should be received by August 1.
- For students applying to begin in Summer: the PostBacCAS online application should be submitted and all supplemental application documents should be received by May 1. (*Please note that only one class is available to take in the Summer. We highly encourage students to begin the program in the Fall term.*)

*Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis until the application deadline for each term.

Questions?

- If you have questions about eligibility or program curriculum, please contact Dr. Kate Cooper, Program Director at kate.cooper@loras.edu.
- If you have questions about the application requirements and admission process, please contact Megan Henderson, Director of Admission for Graduate and Postbaccalaureate Programs at megan.henderson@loras.edu.