

GRADUATE HANDBOOK
FOR
AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE MAJORS

Master of Science in Agriculture

GRADUATE STUDENT CONTRACT

I, _____ have received a copy of the Graduate Student Handbook from the Department of Agricultural Sciences. I understand that I am expected to abide by all policies, deadlines, and time lines set f

ACADEMIC PROCEDURES

APPLICATION / ACCEPTANCE PROCEDURES

Regular Admission. Suggested guidelines for regular admission to graduate school are set forth in the Graduate Catalogue and are summarized below:

I. Program Admission Guidelines

- A. A minimum undergraduate GPA, from the baccalaureate granting institution, of 2.5 (on a 4-point scale) or an advanced hours GPA of at least 2.8.
- B. GRE score of 286 or higher (verbal + math components).
- C. An undergraduate degree in agriculture or related field. Those applicants having an undergraduate degree in a discipline other than agriculture must successfully complete AGBU 2317 or 2389, AGET 2303, PLSC 3440 and ANSC 3373 with a grade of B or better.
- D. Two letters of recommendation from faculty in the undergraduate major field of study, this requirement is waived if an SHSU graduate.

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TEACHING, RESEARCH AND GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS

Funding for students fully admitted into the MS degree are qualified to apply for Teaching, Research and Graduate Assistantships. Funding for these positions vary depending on budget allotments, grants stipulations and position availability. Application for assistantships is available at: <http://www.shsu.edu/academics/agriculture/graduate-Programs.html>. The teaching assistantship application, three professional letters of reference

Examination of Completion. All Master of Science degree candidates must pass a comprehensive exam, written and/or oral, over the graduate course work of their degree program. Candidates completing a thesis will be required to give an oral thesis defense and will be subject to an oral examination over related subjects and course material.

Documentation Each student is responsible for submitting necessary paperwork to the graduate coordinator in a timely manner. The attached time-table and checklist are used for reference, but the deadlines in the Graduate Catalog, Schedule of Classes, academic dean's office, etc. supersede any deadlines listed herein. The official checklist will be kept in each student's graduate folder. Should the student's graduate committee change, a revised Graduate Committee Application should be submitted to the Graduate Coordinator.

TIME TABLE OF PROCEDURES AND PROCESSES FOR THE MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAM

Prior to the second semester of degree program The graduate student must submit

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During the semester in which graduation is expected Non-thesis students must successfully complete their written and/or oral comprehensive exam and either have completed or be currently enrolled in AGRI 6140. Students must sign up for the comprehensive examination with the Graduate Coordinator. Exams will be written by

SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY
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College of Science and Engineering Technology
Graduate Achievement Scholarship
Academic Year 2020-2021

The College of Science and Engineering Technology (COSET) Graduate Achievement Scholarship is a \$1000 competitive scholarship awarded to students demonstrating outstanding academic progress in a COSET master's program.

To be considered for the COSET Graduate Achievement Scholarship, a student must be enrolled full-time in a master's program in the College of Science and Engineering Technology and have an SHSU graduate GPA. Students in their first year of a COSET graduate program and who have been awarded a graduate assistantship are not eligible for the scholarship.

Complete applications require:

- 1) a personal statement from the applicant describing their academic progress toward the degree, including planned graduation date, and progress on the thesis or capstone project (where applicable), and
- 2) a letter of evaluation from the applicant's major advisor or graduate program coordinator describing the applicant's progress toward the degree and overall performance in the graduate program.

Applicants must email their personal statement to Anne Gaillard (argaillard@shsu.edu) with Graduate Achievement Scholarship in the subject line by 5:00 pm on the day of the deadline.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Chair: _____, Secretary: _____, by submitting the names of individuals

Committee Members

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