# REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MASTER OF SCIENCE

**DODGE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES**

**THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA**

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Program Code: M787 Q524

### Required Courses

#### Thesis Track

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<tr>
<td>PBIO 5971</td>
<td>Seminar in Botany (1 hour course, two credits required)</td>
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<td>PBIO 5980</td>
<td>Research for Master’s Thesis</td>
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#### Outside Courses

Choose a minimum of 3 hours selected from 5000- or 6000-level courses outside the Plant Biology program (Plant Biology may use Microbiology as long as they are not cross-listed.)

#### Electives

Choose other 5000- and/or 6000-level courses, as approved by advisory committee

Total Credit Hours 30

### Non-Thesis Track

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Total Credit Hours 32

Non-Thesis students must pass a Comprehensive Written Examination administered by a committee of three faculty (two of whom must be Plant Biology faculty) in the last year of study.

### Notes

- No more than 6 hours of Independent Research may be completed with the same instructor. No more than 12 total hours of Independent Research may be applied to the degree.

- With Department approval, up to 8 hours of transfer credit may be applied to the degree. Courses must have grades of A, B, or S; be less than 5 years old at the time of admission to the program; and not previously applied to a completed degree.

### General Requirements for all Master's Degrees

The master’s degree requires the equivalent of at least two semesters of satisfactory graduate work and additional work as may be prescribed for the degree.

All coursework applied to the master’s degree must carry graduate credit.

Master’s degree programs which require a thesis consist of at least 30 credit hours. All non-thesis master’s degree programs require at least 30 credit hours.

Credit transferred from other institutions must meet specific criteria and is subject to certain limitations.

Courses completed through correspondence study may not be applied to the master’s degree.

To qualify for a graduate degree, students must achieve an overall grade point average of 3.0 or higher in the degree program coursework and in all resident graduate work and additional work as may be prescribed for the degree.

Additional information for master’s degree students may be found in the Graduate College Bulletin.