

Graduate Program in Geophysics
Department of Geosciences
Boise State University
Admission Procedure for International Students

APPLICATION Complete the international student graduate application and financial statement and return them to International Student Admissions with a \$30 fee payable to Boise State University.

TRANSCRIPTS Contact the Registrar of all institutions of higher education previously attended and request that your official transcripts be sent directly from each institution's Registrar to International Student Admissions.

GRE SCORES Contact the Educational Testing Service and request that your Graduate Record Examination (GRE) General Test scores be sent directly to Boise State University (institution code R4018). GRE Subject Test scores are not required. GRE information may be obtained by contacting the Graduate Admissions Office, or by writing Graduate Record Examinations, Educational Testing Service, P.O. Box 6000, Princeton, NJ 085416000 (telephone 6097717670). Prospective graduate students are advised to schedule the GRE no later than the fall of their senior year. It generally takes 6 weeks for GRE scores to arrive at Boise State University after the test date.

TOEFL Take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), and have the scores sent to Boise State University (institution code 4018). Information on the TOEFL can be found at <http://www.toefl.org>. This test is administered by the Educational Testing Service (ETS). Be careful about the exact spelling, as there are other web sites with similar spellings.

REFERENCES Request three personal references from professionals who are familiar with your overall scholarly ability. Please use the personal reference forms for the graduate geophysics program which are designed to obtain the necessary information with minimum inconvenience. The person providing a reference should return the form directly to the Coordinator of the geophysics graduate program.

LETTER OF INTENT A letter of intent outlining your plans for the future, including what you would like to study (either generally or specifically) while in the graduate program. Mention any faculty you have contacted, and articulate how your interests match faculty interests.

TRANSCRIPT SUMMARY Complete the College Course Summary and return it to the Coordinator of the geophysics graduate program; be sure to include the year, number of credits, and letter grade for each listed course. This is also an opportunity to clarify details on your transcript (for example, what was a "special topics class" about).

Deadlines

International student applicants are encouraged to begin the admissions process several months prior to the admissions deadlines, in order to accommodate potential delays in the processing of visa and entry documents by the US Department of Immigration.

January 15th - Graduate Residential Scholars Program admissions deadline (Fall Semester enrollment). Candidates submitting applications by this deadline, and accepted into Geosciences degree programs, are given priority for offers of financial assistance and are eligible for promotion to the Graduate Residential Scholars Program (www.boisestate.edu/gradcoll/).

February 7th - General admissions deadline (Fall Semester enrollment). Candidates are highly encouraged to submit applications by this deadline, and if accepted into Geosciences degree programs are given priority for offers of financial assistance (stipends and tuition waivers).

Late Applications - Late applicants are encouraged to submit applications materials through April 15th; late applicants remain eligible for offers of financial assistance pending availability.

October 15th - General admissions deadline (Spring Semester enrollment). Applications for mid-year admission to Geosciences degree programs are welcomed; offers of financial assistance depend upon availability.

After all application materials are received, your records will be evaluated by the Coordinator of the geophysics graduate program and a recommendation will be made to the Dean of the Graduate College. The Dean will do a final evaluation and notify you of the admission decision.

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