

Postgraduate Admissions Statement

MSc Stem Cells and Regeneration

Programmes covered

Stem Cells and Regeneration (MSc, PG Diploma, PG Certificate)

Applicants should also refer to the relevant prospectus entry for further programme details.

This admissions statement should be read in association with the [University Admissions Principles and Procedures for Postgraduate Taught Programmes](#).

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Admissions cycle

2017

Application process

Online application

Applicants should complete the online application form, uploading all required documents directly into the application form. Guidance on uploading documents can be found in the [How to Apply FAQs](#).

Applicants should make every effort to choose the correct programme in the application form by reading the prospectus entry and admissions statements fully. Applicants should contact the relevant Admissions Team if clarification is required.

Application Deadline

There is an application deadline for this programme, which is displayed on the individual programme page within the [University course finder](#).

Required documents

All documents must be translated into English. Degree certificates and transcripts should be certified copies and list subjects taken and grades/degrees achieved. If your degree is not yet complete, please provide transcripts of subjects taken and marks achieved to date. All documents must be uploaded into the online application form unless otherwise noted. Applicants who have already submitted an application can upload additional documents into the 'Post-submission uploads' section. You can find information about how to upload documents to your application form in our [How to Apply FAQs](#).

Required documents for this programme are:

- Two references that comment on the student's suitability for this course and academic potential
- Degree certificate(s) from first and subsequent degrees
- Academic transcript(s) from your first and subsequent degrees
- Personal statement
- Curriculum vitae (CV)
- English language certificates if English is not your native language and your undergraduate degree was not in an English-speaking country (please see the English Language Requirements for a list of English-speaking countries)

Interviews

No interviews are requested for this programme unless there are specific reasons (eg you may be invited for interview if you do not have the appropriate standard of degree but you have relevant professional experience in place of this).

Correspondence with applicants

Applicants will normally receive communication via email to the email address used to set up their application form account. Applicants should ensure that this profile email address is kept up-to-date.

Admissions criteria

Academic entry requirements

An upper second-class (or, exceptionally, a lower second-class) honours degree in a relevant subject. Examples of suitable science-based degrees are anatomy, biochemistry, physiology, neuroscience, biomedical science. Graduates of medicine, dentistry or veterinary science are also eligible to apply for this programme. Relevant professional experience may be considered in place of a relevant degree.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see our [International Office](#) website.

English language criteria for non-native English speakers

For applicants whose first language is not English, it is necessary to achieve a minimum score in an approved English language test specified in Profile E of the [University's English Language Requirements Policy](#).

You can find information about the University of Bristol's Pre-Sessional English courses at the [Centre for English Language and Foundation Studies website](#).

Reference criteria

Applicants should arrange for referees to provide electronic references, which can be submitted through the online application system. Non-electronic references should be on headed paper, with clear contact details and signed and dated by the person who wrote it. References should ideally be academic and comment on the academic potential of the candidate and their suitability for the programme. Professional references may be acceptable providing they are able to comment on the candidate's knowledge in the field of stem cells and regeneration and their suitability for postgraduate study.

Personal statement criteria

The personal statement should provide an explanation of why you wish to study this programme, how you feel it will benefit your development and future career.

Additional requirements

The programme is only offered via distance learning and students are only required to attend Bristol only for exams. The exams will take a maximum of two weeks over the duration of the programme. Basic computer skills including word-processing, email and familiarity with using the internet are essential.

Selection process and offers

Selection process

All applications are considered in accordance with the [University's policy on equality and diversity](#). The University of Bristol upholds the principles of equality and diversity, respect and dignity. Candidates are not discriminated against on the grounds of race, ethnicity, nationality, gender, sexuality, religion or belief, disability, health or age.

Applications are considered by the two programme directors. Applications are assessed for suitability of first degree, any relevant experience, the reasons why the candidate wishes to undertake the programme and references.

Decisions

Applicants will be notified by email when a decision has been made and decision letters will be available to view and print by logging into their application.

All offers will have a time frame during which the applicant must respond to the offer. The deposit, payable by international students only (see below), must also be paid within this time frame. The length of time given will vary depending on the date the application is made (ie shorter times will be given for students that apply late in the academic year). Any conditions of the offer must be met before the registration date for the course.

Deferrals

Deferred entry may be possible and will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Requests for deferred entry from international students will only be considered if the required deposit of £1,000 has been paid.

Deposits

International self-funded students are required to pay a deposit of £1000. You can pay this deposit online at <http://bris.ac.uk/online-payments/deposits> using a credit or debit card. Alternatively you can pay through our PaytoStudy account at www.bristol.ac.uk/paytostudy. PaytoStudy is an international payment solution which offers competitive exchange rates. Where PaytoStudy has a local bank account, all wire fee charges will be eliminated and you will be able to pay in your local currency to a local bank account.

The deposit is non-transferable and non-refundable except under the circumstances outlined in the International Deposits Refund Policy which is available at <http://www.bris.ac.uk/academicregistry/office/policies/idrp.html>. You may pay your deposit in advance of meeting the conditions of your offer. If you subsequently fail to meet the conditions attached to your offer and are therefore rejected from your course on academic grounds then a refund will be made to you. To make the payment you will need your student number which you will find in your offer letter.

ATAS

An ATAS certificate is not required.