

Biomedical Sciences Program Podcast

Hello, my name is Cori and I am a staff member in The Graduate School at Grand Valley State University. Thank you for taking the time to learn more about Grand Valley's Master of Health Science in Biomedical Sciences. Today we're going to cover the admissions process, program requirements, and the qualities that distinguish this program.

Let's start by explaining to you what this program entails. The Master of Health Science in Biomedical Sciences will prepare students for a potential career in science or health related fields. Many students go on to dental or medical school or teach at the community college level. Some choose to enter Ph. D. programs. This is a 33 credit hour program and can be completed in 2 years as a full-time student.

Standard Grand Valley admission requirements include completion of the online application as well as a Bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education. Your application must include official transcripts, and if English is not your native language you must provide scores from one of our approved standardized tests such as the TOEFL, IELTS, MELAB, or the PTE Academic. There is a \$30 nonrefundable application fee, however this fee is waived if you attended GVSU previously or are currently attending GVSU.

Additional admission requirements for this program include a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher in undergraduate course work, three letters of reference, a GRE, MCAT or DAT score and a personal statement. Application materials should demonstrate an aptitude for study at the graduate level.

More details as well as the online application can be found on the Master of Health Science in Biomedical Sciences website at gvsu.edu/grad/biomed.

The great news about Grand Valley's graduate programs is that tuition rates for Michigan resident and non-resident students are the same. In other words, there are no extra costs for being an out of state student. Current tuition costs and information about scholarships and financial aid can be found at gvsu.edu/financialaid or by calling 616-331-3234. For information on graduate assistantships, please contact The Graduate School at gradschool@gvsu.edu.

As I mentioned, the Master of Health Science in Biomedical Sciences program at GVSU is a 33 credit hour program. 10 credit hours will cover required courses. An additional 10 credit hours will be dedicated to developing and undertaking thesis research. The remaining 13 credit hours are electives that can be taken from a variety of courses. Check out our website for a complete listing of all courses at gvsu.edu/grad/biomed.

This program provides graduate level education in anatomy and physiology which helps to prepare students for professional school applications and to teach at the college level. There is ample room for elective courses which allows students to tailor the program to meet their needs or interests. The program also has a wide variety of faculty to support innovative research in the biomedical sciences.

That is just a snapshot of the Master of Health Science in Biomedical Sciences graduate program at Grand Valley State University. We hope that you will consider applying to a graduate program at GVSU. Any questions can be directed to the Graduate Program Director, Christopher Pearl, at

pearlch@gvsu.edu or to The Graduate School at gradschool@gvsu.edu. Thank you for your time and we hope you have enjoyed this podcast.