Graduate Admission:
Faculty consider GRE scores and experience, undergraduate record and curriculum, and formal recommendations. A student without an undergraduate background in one of the Wildland Resources majors may be required to complete selected undergraduate courses prior to admission as a fully matriculated graduate student.

Application-for-admission forms are found and submitted on line at the School of Graduate Studies web page. The form must be accompanied by a nonrefundable application fee of $55 for all students. **NOTE: Fees must be paid before applications will be evaluated.** Prospective students are advised to consult the application materials and additional information that are available on-line.

Bachelor’s Degree:
A bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university is required. A master’s degree may be required for admission to a doctoral program.

Grade Point Average:
A minimum 3.0 GPA for the last 60 semester credits is required.

Transcripts:
Each previously attended college and/or university, including Utah State University, must be listed on the application form, and the applicant must have official transcripts from each institution (except Utah State) sent directly to the Utah State University School of Graduate Studies. Transcripts accumulated on one record are not acceptable. Transcripts must be submitted for all coursework above the high-school level and all prior degrees. Transcripts not in English must be accompanied by a notarized translation. Transcripts submitted as application credentials become the property of the School of Graduate Studies and will not be copied for or returned to the applicant.

Admissions Tests:
An admission test is required of all applicants. Applicants must take the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) general test (minimum of 40th percentile on the verbal and quantitative tests). Registration forms for the GRE are available at the School of Graduate Studies. Applicants should request that their test report be sent directly to the School of Graduate Studies. The report must be received before an application is considered complete. The institutional code for Utah State University is 4857 (GRE).

Recommendation Letters:
Three letters of recommendation are required, each must address the applicant’s potential for success in the proposed graduate program.

International Applicants:
International applicants from non-English-speaking countries must demonstrate competency in the English language. A minimum score of 79 or higher is required on the internet based test, or 213 computer based test for the Test of English as Foreign Language (TOEFL), which is administered throughout the world, satisfies that requirement. If an international applicant has a degree from a university in an English-speaking country, the TOEFL is not required.
An applicant who is admitted with a TOEFL score below minimum required scores, or who has not obtained a degree in an English-speaking country, must take the English Language Placement Test given by the Intensive English Language Institute (IELI) at Utah State. The test must be taken before a student is allowed to register.

International students must also submit an I-20 application form, a financial certificate, and a financial guarantee. Because of immigration regulations, international students cannot be admitted to provisional matriculation. Prospective international students are advised to consult the online information on international application process.

**Application Deadlines:**
Completed application forms, transcripts, letters of recommendation, test scores, and the application fees should be submitted on or before the following dates (Note: The Wildland Resources Department will accept applications throughout the year but to receive full funding consideration it is best to adhere to these deadlines).

- **March 15** for full funding consideration for Fall Semester
- **May 15** for final consideration for Fall Semester
- **October 15** for Spring Semester

As soon as an application is complete, a recommendation is made by the Wildland Resources Department to the graduate dean, who must approve all admissions. No notification of acceptance or rejection other than that from the graduate dean is official.