



PhD Epidemiology & Biostatistics Admissions Checklist

Program Prerequisite Applicants must possess a Master's degree with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0. Applicants must have successfully completed Calculus I and Calculus II.

- Online Application**
 - Visit [SOPHAS.org](https://sophas.org) and select "Apply"
 - **Fee Waivers** - SOPHAS offers a [Fee Assistance Program](#) to qualified applicants on a first-come, first-served basis. Call 617-612-2090 to learn more.
- Graduate Entrance Exams – Not Required**
- Official Transcripts**
 - Submit official transcripts from all previously attended undergraduate and graduate institutions directly through SOPHAS.
- Evaluations/Recommendations: A minimum of three (3)**
 - Enter contact information for your recommenders - at least three (3) contacts are required.
 - Recommenders will be prompted to complete an electronic evaluation and submit a recommendation letter.
 - We recommend that at least one (1) of the evaluations be from a faculty member who taught or supervised the applicant. In some cases, however, we understand that it is not possible.
- Professional Resume/CV**
 - Highlight professional experience, academic accomplishments, publications, and other areas that will showcase your overall competitiveness for the PhD Epi-Bio program.
- Personal Statement (highlight the following)**
 - What are your research goals? Program faculty engage in research programs that align with the [University research priority areas](#). Applicants are encouraged to identify specific faculty research programs to support their successful development into productive independent researchers.
 - What are your professional and educational goals?
 - How does the PhD Epi-Bio at the University of Kentucky support our professional and educational goals?
- Publication, Research, or Other Scientific Project**
 - At least one (1) mandatory; up to one (1) additional allowed, for no more than a total of two
- English Language Proficiency:** All applicants whose native language is not English must report one of the following scores on the application: **TOEFL, IELTS, or DuoLingo**. Admission decisions may be based on unofficial scores but official scores are required before enrollment in fall courses. Otherwise, admission may be revoked.
 - Minimum Score Required: [TOEFL 79](#), [IELTS 6.5](#), [DuoLingo 115](#)
 - Learn more at <https://gradschool.uky.edu/application-process#Test%20Scores>.

Application Deadlines

- ★ SOPHAS application deadline for all applicants: **February 1, 2025**
- ★ If admitted, secondary UK Graduate School application for enrollment deadline:
 - International – April 15, 2025
 - Domestic – No later than one month before the start of the fall 2025 term

Direct all questions or inquiries to ukcph@uky.edu.