Criteria for Admission

Transcripts:
The applicant must hold a Bachelor's degree from a recognized college or university with a GPA of at least 3.0/4.0, and have a sufficient background in science.

Graduate Record Examination (GRE) & Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL):
We require the general test for admission to both the MS and PhD programs. The School has no official cut-off for GRE scores. However, applicants should be aware that recent entering classes are characterized by an average GPA of 3.5 and a combined average GRE score of 1950. Scores from the biology subject test could strengthen an application but are not required. A minimum TOEFL score of 600 (250 computer based) is desired from all foreign applicants whose first language is not English. Students must have highly developed written and oral English skills.

Letters of Recommendation
Three letters of recommendation should be submitted. We recommend that you provide letters of reference from professors who have taught you in your junior and senior years. If you have an MS, we urge that all your letters be from academic references, particularly from professors who have served on your MS thesis committee. If you cannot obtain academic references, the letters should be from people who can comment on your professional achievements.

Personal Biographical information:
The Georgia Tech online application has a section specifically for Biology applicants. Questions 3, 4, and 5 are designed to give you the opportunity to tell us about the motivation behind your application, what your interests are, and how you have prepared for graduate study. Each section should not be longer than 250 words.