

## Applying to the MSL Program

### When is the Application Deadline?

#### **August 1 for Fall Enrollment – December 15 for Spring Enrollment**

All materials, including letters and test scores, must be received by the deadline. **We recommend applicants submit the application at least one month prior to the deadline to allow sufficient processing time for materials.**

### What Are the Basic Requirements?

Below is a summary of the basic requirements, but additional details and instructions can be found online at <http://sos.asu.edu/apply-msl>.

#### **GPA Equivalent to a 3.00 Average**

GPA is calculated using the last 60 semester hours or 90 quarter hours of undergraduate coursework. If graduate coursework is higher than undergraduate coursework, this will be taken into consideration. Students not meeting the minimum GPA requirement may still be considered, although the School will require a GPA petition.

#### **US Bachelor's Degree**

US bachelor's degree or the equivalent from a regionally accredited institution or the equivalent of a US bachelor's degree from an international institution officially recognized by that country.

More details regarding requirements (including additional requirements for international applications) are available at <https://students.asu.edu/graduate/standards>.

#### **Three Years of Professional Experience**

The program is designed for active professionals that have 3 or more years of professional/organizational experience or the equivalent. Applicants will be asked to provide their current employer name, address, phone, job title, industry category, and years/months of experience. Experience does not need to be in the field of sustainability. Salary information is optional, but not required.

### What Needs to Be Submitted?

#### **Application**

Apply online at <https://students.asu.edu/graduate/apply>.

#### **\$70 Application Fee for Domestic Applicants and \$90 for International Applicants**

Applications submitted without the fee will not be reviewed.

#### **Resume or CV**

Applicants must attach their resume or curriculum vita to their application.

## Statement of Intent

All applicants must upload a statement of intent when completing the online application. In approximately 300 words per question, applicants are asked to upload answers to the following prompts:

1. Sustainability explores ways to improve human well-being globally without threatening earth's life supporting systems. In your own words, explain why sustainability is important to you.
2. The Master of Sustainability Leadership is designed to prepare decision-makers for the challenges ahead. Describe a time in which you demonstrated leadership to enact positive change.
3. How do you plan to apply the lessons you learn from this degree in the short-term and long-term?
4. How have you prepared to manage and accommodate family/work/school life balance while completing this program in two years?

## Official Transcripts

Unofficial copies will not be accepted. Send transcripts from every university or college you have attended to ASU Graduate Admissions (ASU transcripts do not need to be sent). Official transcripts are normally sent from the issuing institutions in sealed envelopes, stamped/attested and verified by the issuing institutions.

### US Mail:

Arizona State University  
Graduate Admission Services  
P.O. Box 871003  
Tempe, AZ 85287-1003

### FedEx, DHL, or UPS:

Graduate Admission Services  
Arizona State University  
1151 S. Forest Avenue, #SSV112  
Tempe, AZ 85287-0112

## English Proficiency Requirement

If you are from a country whose native language is not English (regardless of where you may now reside), you must provide proof of English proficiency. Your application will not be processed without valid proof of English proficiency. If you are from an English-speaking country but earned a degree in a non-English speaking country, then you may be subject to the English proficiency requirement, which can be found online at <https://students.asu.edu/graduate/proficiency>. Questions about the English proficiency should be directed to ASU Graduate Admissions. Their contact info is listed at <https://students.asu.edu/graduate/contact>.

## Additional Information and Questions

For additional information, please visit <http://sos.asu.edu/apply-msl> or email [SOSGradSunDevil@asu.edu](mailto:SOSGradSunDevil@asu.edu).