

- The Stockbridge MS degree qualifies graduates for advanced career opportunities, and prepares students for admission to PhD programs
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5TH YEAR MS RESEARCH AREAS

- Climate Change Adaption
- Soil Pollution and Health
- Nano-enabled Agriculture
- Plant Biotechnology
- Agroecology
- Plant Health
- Insect-Plant Interaction
- Soil Biogeochemistry
- Turfgrass Science
- Horticulture Science

For more info: *Email Grad Program Director Dr Masoud Hashemi at masoud@umass.edu*

Prepare BS Students to Apply for the 5th Year MS

Junior Year

- Join a research lab working on a related topic
- Plan appropriate pre-reqs for taking 500-level courses in junior/senior year
- Learn about MS program and discuss application plans with your potential graduate faculty advisor

Senior Year

- In your planned graduate research area, complete at least 6 credits, at the 500 level, by the end of senior year
- Apply to The Graduate School by February 1st for fall admission

What Else Should They Know?

- Up to 9 credits at the 500 level can be taken *during* the BS program and transferred towards the MS degree

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