

RUMS Application Process

What to Submit:

1. Application Form

Complete the application form.

2. Curriculum vitae (Research version of your resume)

See example and template on webpage on how to create a CV

3. Personal Statement

Write a one-page statement that provides a portrait of who you are as a student. Describe your research interests and goals. Be very specific about your career objectives and how participation in the RUMS program will help you achieve those objectives. Tell us what motivates you to conduct research. Let us know why you feel you are particularly qualified for this program. Provide details of any experiences that you feel are relevant to your application.

4. Letters from Two References

Please request that reference letters from an instructor who can best evaluate you and from a former employer or other person who can provide a character reference. Please ask these people to submit the letter directly to hgaff@odu.edu with your name in the subject line. If your references need more time, you must submit everything else by the deadline, and send an email to Dr. Gaff (hgaff@odu.edu) to notify us of the situation.

When to Submit:

Entry in to the RUMS program is a competitive process. The application deadline is **MARCH 15, 2023**. Selected students will be interviewed in late-March, and final RUMS participants will be notified by March 30, 2023.

Where to Submit:

All application materials (application form, CV, personal statement) should be submitted electronically to hgaff@odu.edu.

For more information about the application process, please contact: Dr. Holly Gaff (hgaff@odu.edu) or Dr. David Gauthier (dgauthie@odu.edu).