



Harvard University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences

Website: <http://www.gsas.harvard.edu/>

Harvard University's Graduate School of Arts and Sciences (HGSAS) is located in Cambridge, Massachusetts, with the main campus of Harvard University. The graduate school dates back to the 1870's; its name was changed to the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences in 1905.

The Graduate School of Arts and Sciences is part of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences. The college offers a Masters of Arts, Master of Engineering, Master of Forest Science, Master of Science, and Doctor of Philosophy degree in more than 50 divisions. Some of the programs of study include philosophy, East Asian programs, Middle Eastern studies, astronomy, and economics. The school also oversees PhD programs in Harvard's professional schools: the Harvard School of Public Health, the Harvard Business School, the Harvard Medical School, the John F. Kennedy School of Government, and the Graduate School of Design. The college has 3,682 students with the majority of them in PhD programs. There are less than 200 students in master's programs.

Like the rest of colleges at Harvard University, the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences is extremely selective. It is one of the top graduate schools in the world. The school works toward promoting diversity among its students. HGSAS has a recruiting program that specifically targets students typically unrepresented in PhD programs. The school accomplishes this through recruiting at undergraduate schools, offering summer programs, and offering financial aid packages specifically for minorities. The university welcomes students from more than 100 nations. Harvard admits students on a need-blind basis, and it determines the amount of aid that is needed for tuition and for the students to support themselves.

HGSAS also administers the Graduate Special Student Program that allows bachelor degree holders to take graduate courses without obtaining a specific degree. The Visiting Fellow Program allows doctoral students and those who have already earned their PhDs to conduct advanced research at Harvard University. The application requirements for students differ depending on their country of origin.

Coursework at Harvard University poses many theoretical questions for students and encourages them in analytical work and creativity. The Graduate School of Arts and Sciences is dedicated to preparing students for a career whether they decide to work in academia or not. At the university, students have the chance to work with some of the most brilliant researchers in the world.

Students will be living in the vibrant community of Cambridge. Student housing is available, but many of the students choose to live in surrounding neighborhoods. Housing services can help students find off campus housing as well as on campus housing.

There is a rich student life at Harvard. HGSAS itself has around 45 student organizations that range from ones focused on the environment to political groups. These organizations include the Graduate Student Council, the GSAS Harvard Biotechnology Club, the GSAS Parents-Students Organization, the Harvard Buddhist Studies Forum, and the Harvard GSAS Science Policy Group. Harvard University enjoys a reputation as one of the top universities in the world, and its Graduate School of Arts and Sciences is one of the best.