Key Points

- 602 applications were received from 567 applicants seeking enrollment in AY 2018, representing a 43% increase from the previous year.
- 8% of applicants applied to two or more SOM PhD programs.
- 20% of applications resulted in admission offers.
- 42% of those offered admission enrolled, representing 7% of all applications.
- 42% of applications were submitted to PMCB, 27% to NGP, 18% to BEHN, 9% to BME, 3% to BMI, and 1% to CSE.
- 23% of applicants and 40% of entrants hold higher degrees.
- 57% of applicants and 51% of entrants were women.
- 13% of applicants and 12% of entrants were underrepresented minorities.
- 11% of applicants and 7% of entrants were international residents.
- International applicants represent 18 different countries, most frequently China, India, Turkey, Iran, and the Republic of Korea.
- Oregonians represent 14% of the total applicant pool and are twice as likely to accept admissions offers than other applicant groups.

FIGURE 1: PhD applications and outcomes over time

Bar heights represent the number of applicants applying for admission to the listed academic year. Colored bands represent the proportion of the applicant pool who were denied admission, offered admission but declined enrollment, or offered admission and enrolled in each academic year.

FIGURE 2: AY2017 PhD application outcomes by program

Wedge heights represent the relative size of each program’s applicant pool and the colored bands represent the proportion of the applicant pool that were denied, offered admission but declined enrollment, or enrolled in AY2018.

DATA NOTES: Only applications to PhD programs that admitted students for AY2018 were included in this report. For additional admissions data, please contact somgrad@ohsu.edu.

*Accepted PhD applicants to Medical Physics ultimately matriculated as Master’s students. Medical Physics applicants were excluded from all other datasets in this report.
FIGURE 3: Demographics of applicant, offer, and entrant pools

The charts below depict the characteristics of all applicants, of those offered admission (offers), and of those who enrolled in AY 2018 (entrants).

GENDER

- Applicants: N=567
- Offers: N=103
- Entrants: N=43

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- Applicants
- Offers
- Entrants

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- Applicants
- Offers
- Entrants

FIGURE 4: Average Cumulative Undergraduate GPAs

Cumulative undergraduate GPAs are calculated using the reported GPA of each undergraduate institution an applicant reported attending.

Applicants 3.49
Offers 3.61
Entrants 3.56