*Please use this template to express your motivation for enrolling in this Master’s programme (written in English).*

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**Motivation**

Why have you chosen to apply for this Master’s programme at Utrecht University?

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**Track choice**

For which trackdo you apply?

* Plant Biology
* Fungal Biology
* Ecology and Nature Resource Management
* Behavioural Ecology

What demonstrates your interest in the field of this track? Please mention bachelor projects, thesis topics and the time you will have spent on doing research by the time you would start this Master’s programme.

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**Research project**

The Master’s programmes of the Graduate School of Life Sciences have a strong research focus, including a compulsory 51 ECTS (9 months) internship (major research project) in the first year. This research project usually takes place in the facilities of Utrecht University or UMC Utrecht.

Which specific fields of research within this Master’s programme do you find interesting for such a research project, and why?

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**Qualifications**

What makes you a good fit to this Master’s programme? E.g. which relevant courses did you take that connect to the field of the Master’s programme? (Please focus only on the most relevant courses).

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**Reflection**

Please share your reflection on your academic achievements, including your role in specific projects or courses that connect to the themes of the Master’s programmes. In particular, please elaborate on any study-related challenges (such as study delay) or achievements (such as participation in relevant extracurricular activities or personal growth).

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