

APPLICATION FEE WAIVER REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS

A limited number of application fee waivers are available for applicants to Biostatistics graduate programs who are U.S. Citizens or Permanent Residents of the U.S. and meet additional eligibility criteria. The application fee waivers are available only to cover the primary application fee within the SOPHAS system; secondary application fee waivers are not available. Prospective students that do not meet eligibility criteria in these categories may request an application fee waiver with justification.

Please note: fee waivers must be issued before submitting your application. We cannot issue reimbursements for the application fee.

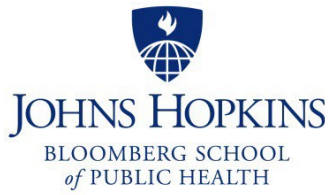
Applicants are eligible for an application fee waiver for:

- **Documented financial hardship:** Financial hardship is defined as earning less 200% the poverty level based on your household size, see <https://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty-guidelines>. Documentation may include a financial award letter from the college you currently attend or a copy of FAFSA or Student Aid Report (SAR). Please redact all social security numbers from the documentation before submitting.
- **Documentation of the following:**
 - Participation in an annual conference or workshop sponsored by a professional society, e.g. Eastern North American Region (ENAR) International Biometric Society annual conference or the Joint Statistical Meetings sponsored by the American Statistical Association
 - Participation in a Summer Institute for Biostatistics (SIBS) Program or similar summer program with scientific focus, e.g. computational biology, data science or computer science.
 - U.S. Military service
 - Attendance at a VTSI-eligible undergraduate institution ([review the list of eligible MSIs](#))
 - Application to an eligible VTSI PhD program ([review the list of eligible VTSI PhD programs](#))

Documentation may be a copy of your registration at a conference or workshop, an unofficial copy of your undergraduate transcript, or your notification of acceptance into a SIBS program.

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2025-2026 APPLICATION FEE WAIVER REQUESTFORM

To be considered for an application fee waiver from the Department of Biostatistics graduate programs, applicants must meet the eligibility requirements and provide this document (signed by the applicant) and supporting materials described above before submitting the application. **All documentation must be received by email to Mary Joy Argo (margo@jhu.edu) no later than 5 PM (local time here in Baltimore) on Monday, November 18, 2024 except for Vivien Thomas Scholars Initiative applicants, for whom the deadline is no later than 5 PM (local time here in Baltimore) on Friday, November 15, 2024.**

If you are approved for a fee waiver, you will be notified via email by Mary Joy Argo.

Applicant Name: _____
Last First Middle

Present Address: _____
Street/P.O. Box

_____ City State/Province Zip/Postal Code Country

Telephone Number: _____ Date of Birth: _____
(Present) (mm/dd/yyyy)

Program(s) applying to: _____

Describe how you are eligible for the application fee waiver: _____

Student Certification: I certify that I have met the above criteria and that the information provided on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant Printed Name Date