



**Life Science Zurich Graduate School
PhD Program in Ecology
Admission form**

Date and place:

Candidate (first name, surname):

Admission route

- ☐ LSZGS interview (Track 1)
☐ By paper (Track 2)

Track 1: This form has to be signed by the PhD Program in Ecology members that interview the candidate during the official LSZGS interviews February and September. As soon as the successful candidate finds a project with a supervisor that confirms acceptance as a PhD student the candidate should register in the PhD program through contacting the program coordinator (phdecology@ieu.uzh.ch).

Track 2: Please send this form signed by your official supervisor together with your CV and two reference letters to the program coordinator (phdecology@ieu.uzh.ch). Please also have your supervisor send a covering letter outlining the selection process, subject matter of the PhD, and supervisory team.

The candidate fulfills the preconditions to be accepted to the PhD Program in Ecology (proficiency in English and at least 4 years undergraduate studies with a total of 240 ECTS credits: BSc 180 ECTS and MSc 60 ECTS):

☐ Yes ☐ No

What further requirements were agreed upon for final acceptance in the program (max. 60 ECTS credits)?

Please indicate the funding source for the entire PhD (generally 3-4 years)

The thesis committee needs to be formed within 6 months after the official start of the PhD and consists of:

- The direct thesis supervisor (must be a member of the PhD Program in Ecology);
- The official thesis supervisor (must be a member of the Science Faculty (MNF) at UZH or of D-BIOL/D-USYS at ETHZ, or have Promotionsrecht). This function is not required if the direct supervisor satisfies these criteria;
- At least one additional member of the MNF UZH or D-BIOL/D-USYS ETHZ (or a person with Promotionsrecht);
- At least one external member who has the right to supervise PhD students at his/her home institution.

The admission committee informed the candidate about the regulations of the PhD Program in Ecology and that admission is under the condition of admission to the University of Zurich (UZH) Faculty of Science (MNF) or of the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (ETHZ) Department of Biology / Department of Environmental Systems Science (D-BIOL / D-USYS). It is the responsibility of the candidate to ensure that she/he fulfills all PhD rules and regulations of either UZH or ETHZ and the corresponding faculty or department. Failure to do so can result in not being accepted for graduation. The candidate should contact the program coordinator (phdecology@ieu.uzh.ch) for general questions.

- UZH MNF: PhD students need this form signed by the program director for admission and matriculation at UZH. The admission process can take 1-3 months. Together with the supervisor they have to fill out the "Planning teaching hours" form from the Fachbereich Biology and fulfill 100-420 teaching hours;
- ETHZ D-USYS / D-BIOL: A minimum of 4 (out of 12) ECTS have to be collected outside the PhD field of expertise. The courses have to be approved by the PhD supervisor. The co-referees need to be registered 1 year before the exam.

The candidate is conditionally admitted to the PhD Program in Ecology. Final admission depends on the formal admission requirements of the University of Zurich or ETH Zurich:

☐ Yes ☐ No

Title, full name and signature of three official representatives of the PhD Program in Ecology (track 1) or the official supervisor (track 2) that interviewed the candidate: