Master of Science (Biostatistics) Admissions Checklist

☐ **Online Application – Apply via SOPHAS**
  - SOPHAS offers a Fee Assistance Program to qualified applicants on a first-come, first-served basis. Call 617-612-2090 to learn more.

☐ **Official Transcripts**
  - Submit official transcripts from all previously attended undergraduate and graduate institutions directly through SOPHAS.
  - Applicants must possess a minimum of four-year undergraduate degree (or its equivalent) with a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.75. Cumulative GPA of 3.0 preferred.

☐ **SOPHAS Evaluations/Recommendations**
  - Enter contact information for your recommenders - a minimum of three (3) contacts are required. Recommenders will be prompted electronically to complete an electronic evaluation as well as to submit a letter of recommendation.
  - We recommend that at least one (1) of the evaluations be from a faculty member who taught or supervised the applicant. In some cases, however, we understand that it is not possible.

☐ **Professional Resume/CV**
  - Upload resume or CV. Highlight professional experience, academic accomplishments, and other areas that will showcase your overall competitiveness for the MS Biostatistics program.

☐ **Personal Statement**
  - Upload personal statement. Your statement should be approximately two pages in length, double-spaced, and cover the following:
    1) Describe your interest in the field of Biostatistics and how it to relates to public health
    2) Describe your professional and/or educational goals
    3) Describe how attending the University of Kentucky College of Public Health help you reach your professional and/or educational goals.

☐ **Graduate Entrance Exams – Not Required (OPTIONAL)**
  - **GRE:** SOPHAS ETS code 4221

☐ **International Applicants**
  - All **foreign transcripts** must be evaluated by the World Education Services (WES.org) and submitted directly to SOPHAS.
  - All applicants whose native language is not English will be asked to self-report one of these scores on the application: **TOELF/IELTS English Proficiency Tests.** This requirement can be waived for students who've earned a degree from an accredited US institution.
    - Minimum TOEFL score: 79. Minimum IELTS score: 6.5.
    - Learn more at https://gradschool.uky.edu/test-scores.

Application Deadlines
  ★ Final **SOPHAS** application deadline:
    - International applicants: **April 1**
    - Domestic applicants: **June 1**
  ★ If admission is offered, a secondary UK Graduate School application is required. Deadlines for this secondary application:
    - International applicants: **April 1**
    - Domestic applicants: **July 1**

Direct all questions or inquiries to ukcph@uky.edu.