



WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY



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Summer 2023 Virtual Information Session

Graduate Admissions Breakout Session

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Agenda

- Preparing to apply
- Application process
- Admission process
- Admission and enrollment



Preparing to Apply



Preparing to apply...do I have what I need?

- Have I found **program(s)** of interest in my field?
- Do I know my **niche or area of specialty**?
- Have I learned about the program? Is it a **good fit**?
- Have I **talked to faculty, students, or the graduate program director** to discuss research and professional interests?
- Do I need to consider the **location** of the institution?
- Have I considered the **program format**?
- Have I **identified faculty or mentors** willing to write a letter of recommendation, if needed?

<https://wayne.edu/programs?type=gr>



Semester Term Start Dates

Term	
Fall	August – December
Winter	January – April
Spring/Summer	May - August



General Application Deadlines

Semester	Domestic students	Canadian and international students
Fall (begins in August)	Apply by June 1	Apply by May 1
Winter (begins in January)	Apply by Oct. 1	Apply by Sept. 1
Spring/summer (spring begins in May; summer in June)	Apply by Feb. 1	Apply by Jan. 1

International applicants should allocate time for visa processing.



Program Application Deadlines

Academic **programs establish their own application deadlines**, so be sure to research these on the program information pages to ensure that you are applying by the program's application deadline.

Also, **some academic programs only admit applicants for specific terms** (e.g. fall term). Again, check the [academic program](#) for deadline, term, and **contact information**.



Application Process



Applying for graduate admission...

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Steps to completing your WSU application for admission



Application process

STEP 1: Ensure you fulfill admission requirements

STEP 2: Begin a graduate admissions application

STEP 3: Pay the application fee

STEP 4: Upload transcript/test score materials (copies)

STEP 5: Monitor your admission status



Step 1: Fulfill Admission Requirements



Common application materials

University—

- Proof of bachelor's degree (plus proof of post-bachelor's degrees and coursework)
- Proof of English proficiency (non-native speakers of English)

Program/department—

- letters of recommendation
- statement of purpose
- resumé/CV
- writing sample
- test scores (i.e., GRE, GMAT, etc.)
- portfolio, etc.



Common admission requirements

- U.S. Bachelor's degree or foreign degree **equivalent to a 4-year U.S. bachelor's degree**
- Minimum GPA of **2.75 for grad certificate or master's degree; 3.0 for doctorate** (department/program may set higher minimums)

- Proof of English proficiency (non-native speakers of English)

	Regular Admission (no ELI check-in)	Admission Proficiency (ELI check-in)
TOEFL iBT	79+	75-78
IETLS	6.5+	N/A
Duolingo	110+	N/A

*ELI (English Language Institute)



Typical admission requirements

Program/Department determines requirement

- **Personal statement**
- **Letters of recommendation**
- **GRE/GMAT**

Transcript(s) – copy for initial review; degree conferred official sent directly from issuing institution on admission



Step 2: Begin the online application



Apply online at <https://gradslate.wayne.edu/apply>

Create an admissions account to start an application

- Select your **Term** and **Program**
- Provide personal information
- Answer all **required questions**
- Enter academic history
- Self-report **test scores** (GRE, GMAT, TOEFL, etc.)
- Upload **required materials (Checklist Items)***
- Add **recommender(s) contact name/email**



Step 3: Pay the Application Fee & Submit



Pay the non-refundable application fee

- **Pay** a \$50.00 non-refundable application fee OR **request application fee waiver** via the online application (if eligible)
<https://gradschool.wayne.edu/admissions/fee-waiver-eligibility>
- Digitally sign the application and submit



Fee Waiver Eligibility:

1. Alumni (including current UG students applying for graduation)
2. WSU full-time active employee
3. Currently enrolled in (or alumni from) an approved pipeline program
4. Active or retired U.S. military service member
5. Service volunteer (Peace Corps, Teach for America, AmeriCorps, CityYear, and Summer in the City)
6. Financial hardship



Step 4: Upload Copies of Transcripts/Test Scores



Transcript/Test Score materials

- Login to your personal account portal and upload **copies of transcripts** and test scores may be submitted for review with your application
 - Degree-in-progress
 - Degree conferred
- Wayne State **does not require official transcripts, test scores, or documents to support the I-20 process** unless you've been admitted

*Note: Programs may require an academic evaluation prior to admission, especially 3-year bachelor's degree.



Step 5: Monitor your Status



Step 5:

Check your application and admission status

- Once your materials are uploaded and reviewed, you will receive an email stating that your application is “**in review with your academic program.**” At this time, if you have questions on requirements or the time to admission decision, contact your [program of interest](#) direct.
- You may check the status of your application at any time by using your login credentials.
- Forgot your login credentials? Contact gradadmissions@wayne.edu for password reset instructions.



Admission Process



Application Review & Decision

Decisions are made by the academic program in the **Schools and Colleges:**

Individual/Committee

Rolling Admission/Scheduled Date(s)

Check with your program on when decisions are made

Once, made the Graduate Admissions Office will generate a formal decision letter.

Login to your application to View and Download



Admission Review

Faculty or Committee Review

- Actively looking for students

Holistic review of:

- Undergraduate institution
- Grades and courses
- Letters of recommendation
- Statement of purpose
- Test scores
- Interview (if required)
- Research experience (including fit to program/faculty research)
- Professional experience



Admission Process



Your Decision Letter

You will receive an email stating that “**a decision has been made on your application,**” prompting you to login to your application to view the decision letter. **A decision letter will not be mailed.**



Admission & Enrollment



Finalize your admission

Request official transcripts

- Degree-posted w/conferral date
- International students (and domestic students graduating with a **bachelor's degree from a *foreign* institution**) must submit an academic evaluation

<https://gradschool.wayne.edu/admissions/international>

Request official test scores (School Code 1898)

<https://gradschool.wayne.edu/admissions/admitted-students>



Non-U.S. degrees require a course-by-course Academic Evaluation



International Students Only

Upload financial support documents (I-20)

Financial support documents

- Visa
- Fellowship, assistantship, scholarship letter(s)
- Personal financial support docs
 - Bank Statement
 - Financial Affidavit of Support

Contact Office of International Students and Scholars (OISS) for assistance at oissmail@wayne.edu



QUESTIONS?

THANK YOU ...for attending!



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