



# WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY

2024 Winter Virtual Graduate  
Information Session

# Winter 2024 Virtual Information Session

Graduate Admissions Breakout Session

March 6, 2024

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. ET



# GRADUATE ADMISSIONS

**Graduate School** <https://gradschool.wayne.edu/>

**Graduate Admissions** <https://gradschool.wayne.edu/admissions>

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

**FAQs** <https://gradschool.wayne.edu/admissions/faq>

**International applicants**

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



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# Agenda

- Preparing to apply
- Application process
- Admission Process
- 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/End Dates

<b>Term</b>	<b>Classes Begin</b>	<b>Semester Ends</b>
<b>Spring/Summer 2024</b>	May 3, 2024	August 1, 2024
<b>Fall 2024</b>	August 26, 2024	December 31, 2024
<b>Winter 2025</b>	January 6, 2025	April 29, 2025





# 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: Upload transcript/test score materials (copies)

STEP 4: Monitor your admission status



# Step 1: Fulfill Admission Requirements



# Graduate School 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 program admission materials

Program/Department determines requirement

- CV/Resume
- Personal statement
- Letters of recommendation
- GRE/GMAT

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





# Common application materials for Review

## Graduate School—

- **Unofficial** transcript of all post-secondary degrees and coursework (i.e., bachelor's degree, master's, etc.) required for initial review and admission decision
- **Unofficial** English proficiency test score report (non-native speakers of English)

## Program/department—

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



# Step 2: Begin the online application



The application fee is waived.  
There is no application fee!

...when applying for

**Spring/Summer 2024, Fall 2024, or Winter 2025**



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: Upload Copies of Unofficial 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 4: Monitor your Status



## Step 4:

# Check your application and admission status

- Once your transcript and test score materials are uploaded and verified, you will receive an email stating that your application is “**in review with your academic program.**” 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 using your login credentials.
- Forgot your login credentials? Contact [gradadmissions@wayne.edu](mailto:gradadmissions@wayne.edu) or [\(313\) 577-4723](tel:3135774723) for password reset instructions.





# Admission Process



# Admission Review

## Faculty or Committee Review

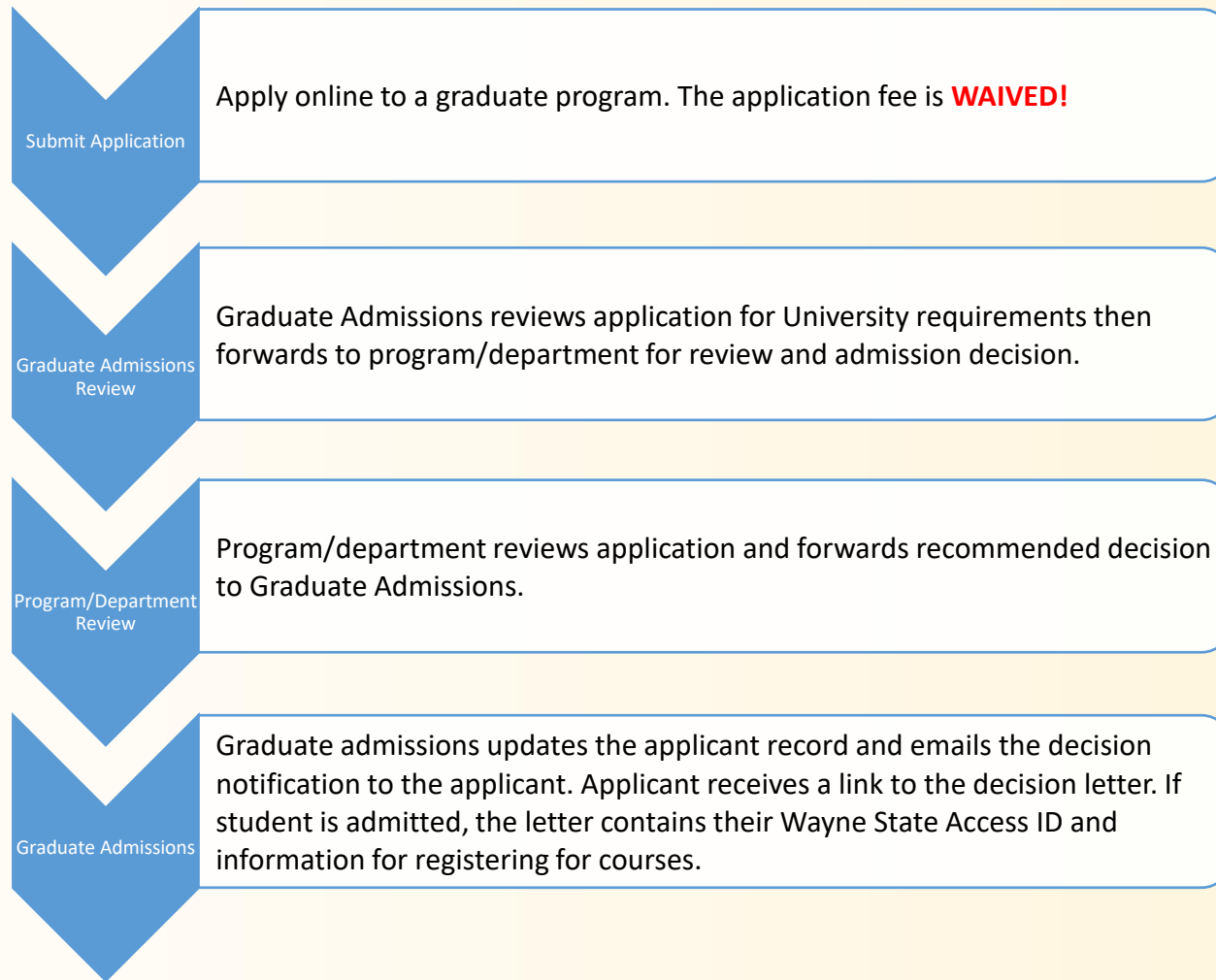
- Actively looking for students

## 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>



# *International Students Only*

## Upload financial support documents (I-20)

### Financial support documents

- Passport
- 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](mailto:oissmail@wayne.edu)



QUESTIONS?

**THANK YOU ...for attending!**





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