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Fall 2023 Virtual Information Session

Graduate Admissions Breakout Session

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11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. ET

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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 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: Application fee **WAIVED WI-2024, SS-2024, FA-2024**

STEP 4: Upload transcript/test score and other program materials

STEP 5: Monitor your admission status

Step 1: Fulfill Admission Requirements

Common <u>application</u> 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 <u>admission</u> 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; <u>degree conferred official</u> sent directly form 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.)
- Add **recommender(s) contact name/email**

Step 3: Sign the Application & Submit

Sign and Submit the Application

- Digitally sign the application and the hit the 'Submit' button

Step 4: Upload Copies of Transcripts/Test Scores

Transcript/Test Score materials

- Login to your personal account portal

- Upload **required materials (Checklist Items)***

- Upload **copies of transcripts** and test scores, and other program materials <u>for review</u> with your application
  - Degree-in-progress
  - Degree conferred

- Wayne State **<u>does not require</u> *official* transcripts, test scores, or documents to support the I-20 process** <u>unless you've been admitted</u>

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

Step 5: Monitor your Status

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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

Submit Application — Apply online to a graduate program. Application fee waived.

Graduate Admissions Review — Graduate Admissions reviews application for University requirements then forwards to program/department for review and admission decision.

Program/Department Review — Program/department reviews application and forwards recommended decision to Graduate Admissions.

Graduate Admissions — Graduate admissions updates the applicant record and emails the decision notification to the applicant. Applicant receives a link to the decision letter. If student is admitted, the letter contains their Wayne State Access ID and information for registering for courses.

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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