

GENERAL LISTING OF ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS BY FIELD OF STUDY

Please note that the requirements listed below are very general in nature and geared to the Master's level. Actual requirements will vary by institution and by programs within departments as well as by degree. The listing is intended to provide a general sense of the most common requirements for admission and the minimum scores that will make a student competitive.

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FIELD of STUDY	TOEFL	GRE	OTHER
AGRICULTURE	550	Required	Writing sample for Ph.D. applicants
ARCHITECTURE	550	Required; emphasis on quantitative score	Portfolio Sometimes interview
AREA STUDIES	550+	Required	Writing sample for PhD
ART HISTORY	600+	Required	Writing and/or work sample; depends on specialization
BIOLOGY	575+	Required with combined verbal & quantitative score of 1500	GRE Biology Subject exam (REQUIRED for Ph.D. applicants, recommended for Master's). Writing sample for Ph.D.
BUSINESS	550+		GMAT required with score of 550+; 4+ years work experience; university application completed by student with heavy emphasis on essay questions; sometimes interview; work-style resume; often early deadlines
CHEMISTRY	550+	Required with combined verbal & quantitative score of 1200; minimum of 700 on quantitative	GRE Chemistry Subject exam with score of 700+
COMMUNICATION	600+	Required with a verbal minimum score of 500	Writing sample required; sometimes TSE exam
COMPUTER SCIENCE	580	Required with combined verbal & quantitative score of 1200; quantitative score should be in 85 percentile	GRE Computer Science Subject Exam for PhD
DANCE	550+	Required	Work sample: will vary by specialization and specific university requirements but, in general, a video of solo performance with brief written description is the minimum.

ECONOMICS	580+	Required with combined verbal & quantitative score of 1200 for competitive programs	Writing sample is required of PhD applicants and often required for master's candidates,
EDUCATION	550+	Required with combined verbal & quantitative score of 1100+	All PhD and all degrees in Educational Administration require a writing sample; TSE recommended for those seeking a teaching assistantship; prior teaching experience
ENGINEERING	575+	Required with combined verbal & quantitative score of 1200+; emphasis on quantitative	work experience is helpful
ENGLISH	600+	Required with verbal score weighed heavily	GRE Literature Subject Exam for some programs and WRITING SAMPLE for all programs. Writing sample must be a critical work regarding literature.
FILM/CINEMA	550	Required	Written work sample; sometimes original screen play; some programs require a video (not to exceed 30 minutes); professional resume; generally early application deadlines; very rigid university portfolio requirements
FINE ARTS	550	Required	Portfolio required—slides presented in plastic holder sheets; work-style resume
FOOD SCIENCE	550	Required	
GEOGRAPHY	550+	Required	Writing Sample
GEOSCIENCES	550+	Required with emphasis on quantitative score	Depending on specialization GRE Chemistry, Mathematics, and/or Physics Subject Exams may be required
HISTORY	575+	Required	Writing sample required, especially for PHD
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS/POLITICAL SCIENCE	600	Required with a minimum of 600 in the verbal, quantitative and analytical sections	Undergraduate coursework in Economics. Most programs would like to see at least 2 years of relevant work experience (particularly for IR programs). Some competitive programs are beginning to request the TSE.
JOURNALISM	600+	Required with emphasis on verbal; suggested minimum verbal score of 500	Writing sample required
LAW	600+		Work experience is desired; Need to have very articulate study objective
LIBRARY/ INFORMATION SCIENCE	550+	Required	
LINGUISTICS	600+	Required; Verbal score should be in 90th percentile	Writing sample required; TSE required for teaching assistantships
MATHEMATICS	550+	Required; minimum of 700	GRE Math Subject exam

		on quantitative score	
MUSIC	550+	Required	Live audition or tape/video required—varies by program. May be required to complete university music exam.
NATURAL RESOURCES	550+	Required with combined score in verbal and quantitative of 1200—emphasis on quantitative	Writing/work sample, e.g. thesis abstract; focus is on the kind of research that they have done
NURSING/HEALTH SCIENCE	550+	Required with emphasis on quantitative	GRE Biology and/or Chemistry Subject Exams WES evaluations are often required for Nursing programs.
PHILOSOPHY	600+	Required	Writing sample
PHYSICS/ ASTRONOMY	550+	Required with combined score of 1300 in verbal & quantitative	GRE Physics Subject Exam TSE for assistantships
PSYCHOLOGY	600+	Required with high scores in all sections	GRE Psychology Subject Exam; early deadlines Writing sample
PUBLIC ADMINIS- TRATION	575+	Required	Mid-career programs will require 5-10 years or relevant work experience. TSE may be required.
PUBLIC HEALTH	550+	Required	Resume or C.V. is often requested and can be helpful for students with low test scores.
SOCIAL WORK	550+	Required	Writing sample; resume; phone interview at some schools
SOCIOLOGY	550+	Required with emphasis on verbal	Writing sample
TESOL	580+	Usually Required with emphasis on verbal	Writing sample; prior teaching; TSE recommended
THEATER	550+	Required	Work sample—video or portfolio, depending on specialization
THEOLOGY	550+	Required	Writing sample
TRANSLATION/ INTERPRETATION	600+	Required with emphasis on verbal	Translation writing sample
URBAN/REGIONAL PLANNING	600+	Required	Portfolio if specialization is in architecture; sometimes writing sample
VET MEDICINE	550+	Required	
WOMEN'S STUDIES	580+	Required with emphasis on verbal	Writing sample

**Note: TSE is frequently required for students being considered for teaching assistantship financial aid*
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