



THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

UNIVERSITY *of* WASHINGTON

Q: What is required to apply for graduate study at University of Washington?

Admission to the University of Washington is necessarily a selective process. Prospective students will ordinarily meet the following minimum requirements but please check with the department to which you are applying. Requirements vary extensively within the departments. For a quick overview of the available programs and their contact information, consult the [Graduate Programs page](http://www.grad.washington.edu/admissions/viewchoice.html) at <http://www.grad.washington.edu/admissions/viewchoice.html>.

- Hold a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university in the U.S. or its equivalent from a foreign institution.
- Have earned at least a 3.0 or B grade-point-average in the most recent 2 years of study.

Required Tests

Most but not all programs require submission of the general GRE scores. Please check departmental requirements carefully to determine what, if any, test scores are required. Applicants holding doctoral level degrees (PhD, JD, MD, etc) from an accredited institution in the U.S. may be exempt from the GRE requirement.

- Scores must be received directly from the Educational Testing Service (ETS). For further information, contact ETS at gre-info@ets.org or <http://www.gre.org>.
- Individual graduate programs will often have additional requirements.

A satisfactory command of the English language is required for admission to the University of Washington Graduate School. Applicants, including international applicants, permanent residents, immigrants and transfer students, who are not citizens of the United States on the date of admission, and whose native language is other than English must provide proof of English proficiency. See Graduate School Memo #8 for complete information. Test scores must be less than two years old from the test date. No waivers of this English competency requirement may be given. Non U.S. citizens who intend to apply for teaching assistantships must also take the TSE. Registration forms or previous score reports less than two years old from the test date may be requested from the Educational Testing Service, Princeton, NJ 08541; telephone (609) 771-7100 or email at toefl@ets.org. (See Graduate School Memo #15 for the University's policy.)

Q: Where can I get information about the departments at University of Washington and their graduate programs?

Start your search by browsing the department websites and reading about their graduate programs. For a quick overview of the available programs, consult the Graduate Programs page <http://www.grad.washington.edu/admissions/viewchoice.html>. The programs page also contains department contact information and links to department web pages.



Q: Can I submit a paper application?

We realize that in some instances it may not be possible for an applicant to use the online process. The paper application takes 4 – 6 weeks longer to process than the online application but, if you ***must*** have access to a downloadable/printable version, you should contact the program to which you are applying. Some programs are still able to accept paper applications but most do not.

To facilitate your application you should make every effort to submit it online at <https://www.grad.washington.edu/applForAdmiss/>.

Q: How do I pay the application fee?

You pay the \$50 application fee as the last step of the online application before submitting the application. The fee may be paid by Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card, or by electronic check (with a U.S. bank account only).

A limited number of need-based application fee waivers are available for U.S. citizens, Permanent Residents and Immigrants. The fee-waiver application is part of the online application process.

Q: How do I check the status of my application?

Once you have submitted your application, you can check the status of your application by logging in to your application status page at <https://www.grad.washington.edu/applForAdmiss/>.

