



Graduate School - Application

You should take some time to think about why you are considering pursuing a graduate degree. There is no right or wrong reason to pursue graduate school, but it is critical that you understand your motivation and know the facts, finances, and timelines before committing to your decision. Use this worksheet to organize and research a variety of programs.

Institution/Program Name	EXAMPLE Masters of Science, Biology	
Application Format Online/Mail-in	Submit application CSU Mentor and separate information to Dept. of Biology	
Transcripts	Hardcopy, sealed envelope and application mailed to department	
GPA Minimum	3.00	
Number of References/ Recommendation Letters	Three letters; two academic, one professional	
Specific Information to Include Deadline	Should be sent directly to dept.	
Recommendation Letter Deadline(s)	Before application deadline	
Description of Statement - Include Question(s)	A statement of preparation and goals.	
Research Interest Statement	Typewritten statement of the student's preparation for graduate study, goals in the graduate training program, potential area of research, possible advisor, and professional goals following completion of the M.S.	
Resume/CV	N/A	
Exam Scores	GRE not subject specific. Score not stated	
Date Applications Open	January to start in August	
Due Date	Document deadline February	
Additional Notes	Completion of specific courses. Contact program director. Program presentations are held first Tuesday of every month.	





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