



# MASTER OF ARTS – PSYCHOLOGY

	<u>APPLICATION DEADLINES</u>	<u>INTERVIEW DEADLINES</u>
SPRING SEMESTER 2010	SEPTEMBER 18, 2009 (Extended to SEPTEMBER 30, 2009)	NOVEMBER 13, 2009
SUMMER/FALL SEMESTERS 2010	FEBRUARY 12, 2010	APRIL 9, 2010
SPRING SEMESTER 2011	SEPTEMBER 17, 2010	NOVEMBER 5, 2010
SUMMER/FALL SEMESTERS 2011	FEBRUARY 18, 2011	APRIL 8, 2011
SPRING SEMESTER 2012	SEPTEMBER 16, 2011	NOVEMBER 4, 2011

## CLASSES BEGIN:

FALL SEMESTER 2009	CLASSES BEGIN AUGUST 13, 2009
SPRING SEMESTER 2010	CLASSES BEGIN JANUARY 6, 2010
SUMMER SEMESTER 2010	CLASSES BEGIN MAY 17, 2010 (SESSION I), JUNE 7, 2010 (SESSION II & SESSION III), and JULY 2, 2010 (SESSION IV)

- ✓ Completed [application](#) for admission to the UWG Graduate School
- ✓ Non-refundable \$30.00 application fee (one time only)
- ✓ One official transcript from each college or university attended
- ✓ Satisfactory [certificate of immunization](#) (if you are a new student)
- ✓ 2.5 cumulative undergraduate GPA (4.0 scale)
- ✓ Acceptable score on Graduate Record Exam (over)
- ✓ Three [letters of recommendation](#) – The Department of Psychology requires that college level faculty who are familiar with the applicant's academic abilities submit at least two of the three letters of recommendation. The third letter may be submitted by an employer and/or supervisor. Exceptions may be made in special cases with permission from the Chair of the Department of Psychology.
- ✓ Personal Statement (read below for details)
- ✓ An interview with departmental faculty is required. Interview dates and times to be arranged by the Department of Psychology.
- ✓ [Academic Honor Form](#)

## PERSONAL STATEMENT REQUIREMENT

MA – PSYCHOLOGY – Applicants are required to submit a semi-autobiography of “where you are in your life and how you got there”, your interests in psychology and related areas, and why the University of West Georgia’s program is of special interest to you. The personal statement should also include his/her motivation for wanting to attend a humanistic program as opposed to a program in mainstream psychology. Average length: 4 pages. For more information, please contact the Department of Psychology at 678-839-6510.

Please send all documents, except the [Certificate of Immunization](#) (see form for instructions) directly to the Graduate School, University of West Georgia, Carrollton, GA 30118-4160. Inquiries related to your application status or admission test information should be directed to the Graduate School by calling 678-839-6419. Fax number, 678-839-5949. Check your APPLICATION STATUS online at [www.westga.edu/~gradsch/](http://www.westga.edu/~gradsch/) by clicking on [HOW TO APPLY](#) (item #9).

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Department of Psychology	678-839-6510	<a href="http://www.westga.edu/~psydept/">www.westga.edu/~psydept/</a>
Financial Aid	678-839-6421	<a href="http://www.westga.edu/finaid/">www.westga.edu/finaid/</a>
Registrar	678-839-6438	<a href="http://www.westga.edu/~registra/">www.westga.edu/~registra/</a>

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY, PLEASE VISIT ONLINE AT [www.westga.edu/coas/](http://www.westga.edu/coas/). The Graduate School’s web page ([www.westga.edu/~gradsch/](http://www.westga.edu/~gradsch/)) has links to all graduate programs.

# THE IMPORTANCE OF ADMISSION TEST SCORES

All individuals applying for admissions to graduate programs at the University of West Georgia must take the appropriate test. For graduate programs in the Arts & Sciences, prospective students must submit an official GRE score.

## REGULAR ADMISSION

- 2.5 grade point average on all undergraduate work
- A GRE score of at least 800 (minimum of 400 Verbal score and a minimum of 400 Quantitative score). Applicants must also submit a minimum GRE Analytical Writing test score of 3.5 for tests taken after October 2002.

\* These criteria represent minimal admissions standards. Specific graduate programs may establish higher standards if they so choose. Therefore, meeting minimal grade point average and test score criteria are no guarantee for admission.

## PROVISIONAL ADMISSION

Applicants with less than the required GPA and GRE scores may be considered for provisional admission if the undergraduate grade point average multiplied by 100 and added to the student's verbal and quantitative scores on the GRE Test equals a minimum of 1000. In no event may the grade point average be less than 2.2 or the score on any portion of the GRE be less than 350. Applicants must also submit a minimum writing score of 3.0. Meeting the criteria for provisional status is no guarantee of admission. Provisional admission is ultimately subject to departmental approval and the Dean of the Graduate School.

## ADMISSION TEST INFORMATION

Computer-based testing for the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) is available throughout the year by calling 1-800-GRE-CALL or visiting online at <http://www.gre.org/gentest.html>. You can also obtain information on test dates and registration for the GRE. If you need more information, please call the Graduate School Office at 678-839-6419.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

As your admissions letter states, no more than 9 hours taken as a post baccalaureate or non-degree student may subsequently be applied to a degree. In most situations, students will not be allowed to take the full 9 hours; therefore, students attempting to gain admittance to a degree program should make every effort to take the appropriate admissions test as soon as possible.