



MASTER OF ARTS – PSYCHOLOGY

APPLICATION DEADLINES

INTERVIEW DEADLINES

SUMMER/FALL SEMESTERS 2011

FEBRUARY 18, 2011

APRIL 8, 2011

SPRING SEMESTER 2012

SEPTEMBER 16, 2011

NOVEMBER 4, 2011

CLASSES BEGIN:

SPRING SEMESTER 2011

CLASSES BEGIN JANUARY 5, 2011

SUMMER SEMESTER 2011

CLASSES BEGIN MAY 16, 2011 (SESSION I),
JUNE 6, 2011 (SESSION II & SESSION III),
and JULY 1, 2011 (SESSION IV)

FALL SEMESTER 2011

CLASSES BEGIN AUGUST 22, 2011

- ✓ 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, Georgia 30118-4160. Please allow 7-10 days for processing your application. CHECK YOUR APPLICATION STATUS online by clicking on [HOW TO APPLY](#) (Item #9).

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

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Graduate School
Financial Aid
Registrar

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www.westga.edu/registrar/

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY, PLEASE VISIT ONLINE AT www.westga.edu/psydept/ and www.westga.edu/coss/. The Graduate School’s web page (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 social 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 applying to a masters degree program in the arts/humanities, sciences, social sciences, or education with less than the required GPA and GRE scores may be considered for provisional admission. They must submit official GRE test scores and must also have a grade point average of at least 2.2. In no event may the grade point average be less than 2.2. Programs may have higher grade point average and/or test score requirements. Applicants may also be admitted provisionally for reasons other than, or in addition to, grade point average and GRE test scores. **Meeting departmental test score and grade point average requirements is no guarantee of admission. Provisional admission is ultimately subject to departmental approval and the Dean of the Graduate School.** These criteria do not apply to applicants to Education Specialists or doctoral programs.

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 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.