

ENGLISH

Admission Requirements

Applicants apply for admission to the program via the Graduate School application for admission (<https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-admissions/how-to-apply/>). Requirements listed here are in addition to Graduate Council policies listed under GCAC-300 Admissions Policies (<https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/>).

Applicants should have a junior/senior grade-point average of 3.50 (on a 4.00 scale), although exceptions may be made for students with special backgrounds, abilities, and interests. Applicants should have a strong background in English courses: 18 credits beyond freshman composition at a minimum, but the department prefers at least 24 credits. Applicants must submit three letters of recommendation, a writing sample indicating their ability to do analytical or original work, and a statement of their professional goals. GRE scores will not be accepted.