

College of Graduate Studies

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Graduates of Middle Tennessee State University and of other accredited institutions are eligible to apply for admission to the College of Graduate Studies.

All applicants for a degree program must complete an application, pay an application fee, provide official transcripts from each college or university attended (except MTSU), provide any required references, and meet entrance test requirements as set forth in the **Graduate Catalog**.

International students must submit a financial statement and a score on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) (computer-based minimum score 173, paper-based minimum score of 525). Please see the Graduate Catalog for further information.

Admission to the College of Graduate Studies does not imply admission to a graduate program or candidacy for a degree.

Seniors at MTSU with 98 semester hours credit will be allowed to take graduate work for a total of no more than 12 semester hours upon approval of the undergraduate advisor, the graduate program advisor, and the graduate dean. An application form must be obtained from the Graduate Office. The Jennings A. Jones College of Business does not have such a program. Graduate work (5000-, 6000-, and 7000-level courses) may not be used toward an undergraduate degree. Not all graduate courses are offered to undergraduates. Permission is not guaranteed.

Graduate Programs

Graduate degrees offered are listed on page 18. Details of available graduate study, courses offered, and specific degree requirements may be found in the **Graduate Catalog**.

Master's Degrees

Many departments at MTSU offer graduate programs leading to a master's degree. A student's program of study is directed by the major department, subject to the approval of the graduate dean. Fields in which the degrees may be earned are listed in the academic inventory beginning on page 18 and in the following list of graduate majors:

Accounting/Information Systems
Administration and Supervision
Aerospace Education
Aviation Administration
Biology
Business Administration
Business Education
Chemistry
Computer Science
Criminal Justice Administration
Curriculum and Instruction
Economics
English
Exercise Science and Health Promotion
Foreign Languages
Health, Physical Education, Recreation
History
Human Sciences
Industrial Studies
Mass Communication
Mathematics
Music
Psychology
Reading
School Counseling
Sociology
Special Education

Graduate Certificate Programs

Certificates of completion of core curricula are available in Art Education, Critical Care Nursing, Dyslexic Studies, Geoscience, Gerontology, Health Care Management, and Nursing Informatics.

Specialist in Education Degree

The Specialist in Education degree (Ed.S.) is offered in Administration and Supervision and in Curriculum and Instruction.

Doctor of Arts Degree

The Doctor of Arts degree (D.A.) is offered in Chemistry and History. An applicant for admission must hold a master's degree or its equivalent from an accredited institution.

Doctor of Philosophy Degree

The Doctor of Philosophy degree (Ph.D.) is offered in Economics, English, and Human Performance. The Ph.D. in Human Performance includes specializations in Health, Physical Education Pedagogy, Exercise Science, and Leisure Services.