

Graduate Certificate Teaching of Writing

Degree Program

- An 18-credit hour program, of which a minimum of 12 hours are at the 5000 level or above.
- The certificate, sponsored by the Gateway Writing Project (GWP), includes a 12 semester-hour core of courses (6 hours in invitational institute, a designated 3 hour “topics” course and a 3 hour exit course).
- The remaining 6 hours of electives, may be chosen from approved courses in English or Education.

Program Website

<https://www.umsl.edu/education/degrees-programs/certificate-teaching-writing.html>

Application Requirements

1. Graduate School Application
 - a. <http://umsl.edu/go/Apply-Now>
2. Personal Statement,
3. Experience teaching writing and Departmental Interview
4. Transcript(s) and Entrance examination(s)
 - a. Official transcripts from all universities attended.
 - b. International applicants are required to document English proficiency by providing scores from an internationally accepted standardized examination before a decision is made on admission.
 - c. Applicants from other countries are encouraged to provide a course by course report from one of three professional evaluation organizations in the United States – World Education Services (WES), Educational Credential Evaluators (ECE), or the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO).
 - d. Applications that include transcripts certified by one of these organizations take less time to process, which normally shortens the length of time it takes for an admission decision to be made.
5. Grade Point Average
 - a. Minimum of 2.75 on 4.0 scale

Application Deadline

Applications are processed as they are submitted. However, applications that are not received by the posted date may delay admission until the following semester.

- Fall term – July 1
- Spring term – December 1
- Summer term – May 1

Application Fee

\$50 for domestic applicants; \$40 for international applicants

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