APPLICATION FOR GRADUATE STUDY

GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY®

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BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

1. * Full Name:

    _____ (_____)
    First   Middle   Last   Former name(s) if any

2. Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____   3. Sex: ☐ Male ☐ Female ☐ Unspecified

4. * Citizenship:
    ☐ U.S. Citizen   ☐ Permanent U.S. Resident   ☐ Visa_____   ☐ Refugee   ☐ Other_____
                      (Alien Registration Number)   (International Students: list visa type)

    _____

    Country of Citizenship: _____   Are you currently living in the United States? ☐ Yes   ☐ No

5. * Local Address:_____
                      Street Address

    _____
    City   State   Zip Code

6. * Permanent Address:_____
                      Street Address

    _____
    City   State   Zip Code

7. * Home Phone: (_____) _____   Mobile Phone: (_____) _____   Work Phone: (_____) _____
              Area Code   Number   Area Code   Number   Area Code   Number

8. Would you like to receive text messages from GVSU? ☐ Yes ☐ No   9. * Email: _____

10. * State in which you claim legal residence: _____   11. Length of residence in this state: _____
    If there is anything unusual about your residency status, enclose a letter specifying details. Consult the current Grand   Years   Months
    Valley State University Undergraduate and Graduate Catalog for more information regarding residency requirements.

12. If you are a Michigan resident, please list county: _____

13. Date of Birth: _____   Birth Country: _____
                Month   Day   Year

14. * Have either of your parents graduated from a four-year college? ☐ Both   ☐ Father   ☐ Mother   ☐ Neither

15. * Is English your native language? ☐ Yes ☐ No

16. Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic/Latino? ☐ Yes ☐ No

17. Please select one or more of the following racial categories to describe yourself:
    ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native   ☐ Asian   ☐ Black or African American   ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander   ☐ White

18. U.S. Military Service (if applicable): Indicate your current status. Please check all that apply.
    ☐ On active military duty   ☐ Veteran of U.S. armed forces   ☐ Reserves or National Guard
    ☐ I am a dependent or spouse of a U.S. active duty service member or I am a dependent or spouse of a veteran of the U.S. armed forces.

    *Questions with an asterisk (*) are required.

ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

19. * Felony Conviction/Pending Criminal Charges: Have you ever been convicted of a felony or have you been arrested for a crime for which criminal charges are pending? ☐ Yes ☐ No

    If yes, you must submit additional information explaining the nature of the crime, relevant facts, and the name, address, and telephone number of your corrections officer. You may be required to meet with an admissions representative before a decision on your application will be made. You may be dismissed from GVSU if you fail to indicate such felony convictions or pending charges.

20. * Semester of entrance:
    ☐ Fall (begins August) _____   ☐ Winter (begins January) _____   ☐ Spring/Summer (begins May/June)_____

21. * Have you previously applied for degree-seeking admission to Grand Valley? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, when? _____

22. * Have you ever enrolled in any Grand Valley course(s)?   ☐ Yes   ☐ No

23. * Are you applying for (check one):   ☐ Part-time study   ☐ Full-time study

24. * At this time, are you planning to pursue a graduate certificate only?   ☐ Yes   ☐ No

25. * Indicate the graduate program to which you are applying.

☐ **Accounting (M.S.A.)**
  ☐ Auditing
  ☐ Combined B.B.A./M.S.A.
  ☐ Taxation
☐ **Applied Computer Science (M.S.)**
  ☐ Combined Computer Engineering B.S.E./
     Applied Computer Science M.S.
  ☐ Combined Computer Science B.S./
     Applied Computer Science M.S.
  ☐ Combined Information Systems B.S./
     Applied Computer Science M.S.
  ☐ Combined Information Technology B.S./Applied Computer
     Science M.S.
☐ **Applied Statistics (M.S.)**
  ☐ Combined Statistics B.S./Applied Statistics M.S.
☐ **Artificial Intelligence, (M.S.)**
☐ **Athletic Training (M.A.T.)** – M.A.T. applicants must apply online
     through ATCAS at atcas.liaisoncas.com
  ☐ Combined Allied Health Science B.S./Athletic Training M.A.T.
  ☐ Combined Exercise Science B.S./Athletic Training M.A.T.
☐ **Audiology (Au.D.)** – Applicants must apply online through
     CSDCAS at capcsd.org/csdcas
☐ **Bioinformatics and Genomics Graduate Certificate**
☐ **Biology (M.S.)**
  ☐ Aquatic Sciences
  ☐ Natural Resources
  ☐ Other interest area
☐ **Biomedical Sciences (M.H.S.)**
  ☐ Combined B.S./M.H.S. - Research
  ☐ General Studies
  ☐ Research
☐ **Biostatistics (M.S.)**
  ☐ Combined Statistics B.S./Biostatistics M.S.
☐ **Business Administration (M.B.A.)**
  ☐ Executive M.B.A. Program
  ☐ Professional M.B.A. Program
☐ **Cell and Molecular Biology (M.S.)**
  ☐ Combined B.S./M.S.
  Select one emphasis ☐ PSM Biotechnology ☐ Research Thesis
☐ **Clinical Dietetics (M.S.)**
  ☐ Coordinated Master's Program with Supervised Practice
  ☐ Combined Applied Food and Nutrition B.S./Clinical Dietetics M.S.
☐ **Communications (M.S.)**
  ☐ Combined B.A., B.S./M.S.
  ☐ Combined Advertising and
     Public Relations B.A., B.S./Communications M.S.
  ☐ Combined Health Communications B.A., B.S./
     Communications M.S.
  ☐ Combined Multimedia Journalism B.A., B.S./
     Communications M.S.

☐ **Criminal Justice (M.S.)**
☐ **Cybersecurity (M.S.)**
  ☐ Combined B.S./M.S.
  ☐ Combined Computer Science B.S./Cybersecurity M.S.
  ☐ Combined Information Systems B.S./Cybersecurity M.S.
  ☐ Combined Information Technology B.S./Cybersecurity M.S.
☐ **Data Science and Analytics (M.S.)**
  ☐ Combined Computer Science B.S./
     Data Science and Analytics M.S.
  ☐ Combined Statistics B.S./Data Science and Analytics M.S.
☐ **Education, Educational Leadership (M.Ed.)**
  ☐ Educational Leadership
  ☐ Special Education Administration
  ☐ If off-site cohort, indicate location: _____
☐ **Education, Learning, Design, and Technology (M.Ed.)**
  ☐ Educational Technology
  ☐ Instructional Design
☐ **Education, Higher Education and Student Affairs
     Administration (M.A.)**
☐ **Education, Instruction and Curriculum (M.Ed.)**
  ☐ Early Childhood Education
  ☐ Educational Differentiation
  ☐ Elementary Education
  ☐ Elementary Education - Graduate Teacher Certification
  ☐ Secondary Level Education
  ☐ Secondary Level Education - Graduate Teacher Certification
  ☐ If off-site cohort, indicate location: _____
☐ **Education, Literacy Studies (M.Ed.)**
  ☐ Elementary Reading
  ☐ General Literacy Studies
  ☐ K-12 Reading Specialist
  ☐ Secondary Reading
☐ **Education, School Counseling (M.Ed.)**
  ☐ If off-site cohort, indicate location: _____
☐ **Education, Special Education (M.Ed.)**
  ☐ Autism Spectrum Disorder
  ☐ Cognitive Impairment
  ☐ Learning Disabilities
  ☐ If off-site cohort, indicate location: _____
☐ **Educational Specialist in Leadership (Ed.S.)**
  ☐ Administration Cognate
  ☐ If off-site cohort, indicate location: _____

- ☐ **Engineering (M.S.E.)**
  - ☐ Combined B.S.E./M.S.E. - Biomedical Engineering
  - ☐ Combined B.S.E./M.S.E. - Electrical and Computing Engineering
  - ☐ Combined B.S.E./M.S.E. - Manufacturing and Design Engineering
  - ☐ Combined B.S.E./M.S.E. - Mechanical Engineering
  - ☐ Biomedical Engineering
  - ☐ Electrical and Computing Engineering
  - ☐ Manufacturing and Design Engineering
  - ☐ Mechanical Engineering
- ☐ **English to Speakers of Other Languages Graduate Certificate**
- ☐ **Health Administration (M.H.A.)**
- ☐ **Health Informatics and Bioinformatics (M.S.)**
- ☐ **Human Centered Computing (M.S.)**
- ☐ **Interprofessional Health Informatics Graduate Certificate**
- ☐ **Medical Dosimetry (M.S.)**
  - ☐ Full-time (37 credits)
- ☐ **Nonprofit Leadership Graduate Certificate**
- ☐ **Nursing (M.S.N.)**
- ☐ **Nursing (D.N.P.)**
  - ☐ Adult/Older Adult Primary Care Nurse Practitioner
  - ☐ Family Care Nurse Practitioner
  - ☐ Pediatric Acute Care Nurse Practitioner
  - ☐ Pediatric Dual Care Nurse Practitioner
  - ☐ Pediatric Primary Care Nurse Practitioner
  - ☐ Post-M.S.N. to D.N.P. Program
  - ☐ Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner
- ☐ **Occupational Therapy (M.S.)**
  - ☐ Traditional Program
  - ☐ Hybrid Program
  - ☐ Combined M.S./Dr.O.T.
- ☐ **Post-Professional Doctorate in Occupational Therapy (Dr.O.T.)**
- ☐ **Online/Blended Instruction and Assessment Graduate Certificate**
- ☐ **Palliative and Hospice Care Graduate Certificate**
- ☐ **Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Graduate Certificate**
- ☐ **Philanthropy and Nonprofit Leadership (M.P.N.L.)**
  - ☐ Community Impact
  - ☐ Custom
  - ☐ Mission Advancement
  - ☐ Nonprofit Healthcare
- ☐ **Physical Therapy (D.P.T.)** – Applicants must apply online through PTCAS at ptcas.org
- ☐ **Physician Assistant Studies (M.P.A.S.)** – Applicants must apply online through CASPA at caspa.liaisoncas.com
- ☐ **Public Administration (M.P.A.)**
  - ☐ Criminal Justice
  - ☐ Health Administration
  - ☐ Nonprofit Management and Leadership
  - ☐ Policy Analysis, Advocacy, and Evaluation
  - ☐ State, Regional, and Local Governance
  - ☐ Combined Public and Nonprofit Administration B.A., B.S./ Public Administration M.P.A.
- ☐ **Public Health (M.P.H.)**
  - ☐ Traditional In-seat Program - Epidemiology
  - ☐ Traditional In-seat Program - Health Promotion
  - ☐ Hybrid Program - Epidemiology
  - ☐ Hybrid Program - Health Promotion
  - ☐ Combined Allied Health Sciences B.S./Public Health M.P.H.
  - ☐ Combined Exercise Science B.S./Public Health M.P.H.

- ☐ **Recreational Therapy, M.S.**
  - ☐ Combined B.S./M.S.
- ☐ **School Psychology Specialist (M.S. & Psy.S.)**
- ☐ **Social Innovation (M.A.)**
- ☐ **Social Work (M.S.W.)**
  - ☐ Advanced Standing
  - ☐ If off-site cohort, indicate location: _____
- ☐ **Speech-Language Pathology (M.S.)** – Applicants must apply online through CSDCAS at capcsd.org/csdcas
- ☐ **Software Engineering (M.A.)**
- ☐ **Water Resource Policy, M.S.**

- ☐ **Graduate Badges**
  - ☐ Advanced Tax Practice
  - ☐ Biomedical Informatics
  - ☐ Corporate Transactions
  - ☐ Cybersecurity
  - ☐ Data Analytics
  - ☐ Data Mining Fundamentals
  - ☐ Database Fundamentals
  - ☐ Database Management
  - ☐ Digital Forensics Fundamentals
  - ☐ Distributed Computing
  - ☐ Electromagnetic Compatibility
  - ☐ Embedded Systems
  - ☐ Foundations of Tax Practice
  - ☐ Information Security Fundamentals
  - ☐ Information Systems Management
  - ☐ Information Systems Project Management Fundamentals
  - ☐ Information Visualization Fundamentals
  - ☐ Interprofessional Collaborative Practice
  - ☐ Mobile Application Fundamentals
  - ☐ Networking Fundamentals
  - ☐ Object-Oriented Programming Fundamentals
  - ☐ Palliative and Hospice Care I
  - ☐ Palliative and Hospice Care II
  - ☐ Software Design and Development
  - ☐ Software Engineering
  - ☐ Telehealth
  - ☐ Victim Advocacy and Services
  - ☐ Wealth Planning
  - ☐ Web and Mobile Computing
  - ☐ Web Application Fundamentals

COLLEGE INFORMATION

26. * Colleges Attended: List all colleges or universities you have attended beyond high school, including GVSU. Failure to list all colleges attended may result in loss of transfer credit and/or dismissal. Attach an additional sheet if necessary. Contact the Registrar's Office at EACH of these institutions to send an official transcript to the GVSU Admissions and Recruitment Office.

Name of college; location (city and state). List most recent first.	Dates Attended				Grade Point Average	Degrees/Dates Conferred	Major/Minor
	From		To				
	Mo.	Yr.	Mo.	Yr.			
1.							
2.							
3.							
4.							
5.							

27. * Did you use a different name while attending any of the above institutions?   ☐ No   ☐ Yes: _____

   Former name

28. * Experience (professional, occupational, military). List most recent position first.

   Dates   Employer   Title/Nature of Position   Address   Phone Number

   1. _____

   2. _____

   3. _____

   4. _____

   5. _____

29. * The accounting program does not require letters of recommendation. For this program, applicants should provide the names of three persons who may be contacted if additional information pertaining to admission is needed.

   Name   Position   Address   Phone Number   Email

   1. _____

   2. _____

   3. _____

30. *Scores on the General Aptitude section of the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) or the Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) are required for some programs (see enclosed instructions).

   Have you taken the ☐ GRE or ☐ GMAT?   ☐ No   ☐ Yes   If yes, when? _____

31. * To what other graduate schools are you applying? _____

32. If you are required to submit an essay, it will be noted under the Checklist for Program Requirements. Suggestions for content: A one- to two-page essay or personal statement describing your academic preparation and background experiences, as well as your professional and educational goals as they pertain to the program for which you are applying. Please attach a printout of the essay to the application.

CHECKLIST FOR PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Send the following application materials to the Admissions and Recruitment Office, Grand Valley State University, 1 Campus Drive, Allendale, Michigan 49401-9403. You must submit a completed application and all required documentation to the Admissions and Recruitment Office before your application file receives further consideration. Applicants whose files are incomplete will not be considered for admission. You can monitor the completeness of your application by calling the Admissions and Recruitment Office at (616) 331-2025 or (800) 748-0246. All documents and supporting data required for admittance become the property of Grand Valley State University and will not be returned to the applicant.

1. Completed graduate application for admission (also available online at gvsu.edu/gradapply).

2. The $30 nonrefundable application fee (waived if you have previously applied to Grand Valley State University).

3. Official copies of transcripts from all institutions of higher education previously attended that have granted a baccalaureate degree to the applicant, unless noted otherwise below.

4. General eligibility requirements for federal aid require a valid Social Security number. To assist with your financial aid processing, please complete this field on the application.

5. Test scores from the TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language), or IELTS (International English Language Testing System), Duolingo, or PTE (Pearson Test of English) Academic for applicants whose native language is not English. The following GVSU graduate programs will accept successful completion of ELS 112 as demonstration of English language proficiency: applied computer science, cell and molecular biology, health informatics and bioinformatics, and biostatistics.

NOTE: We do not require official transcripts from Grand Valley State University.

The following is a checklist of materials that are required to complete your application by program. Please see the Grand Valley State University Undergraduate and Graduate Catalog or visit our website at gvsu.edu/catalog for specific admission requirements.

Master of Science in Accounting
- ☐ Official GMAT scores
- ☐ One-page essay/personal statement*

Master of Science in Applied Computer Science
- ☐ Two recommendations
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or satisfactory GRE or GMAT scores

Master of Science in Applied Statistics
- ☐ Undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or satisfactory GRE or GMAT scores
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*
- ☐ Two recommendations

Master of Science in Artificial Intelligence
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Two recommendations

Master of Athletic Training
- ☐ Applicants must apply online through ATCAS at atcas.liaisoncas.com
- ☐ In addition to completion of the ATCAS application, students must submit the GVSU Supplemental Form and $30 application fee.

Doctor of Audiology
- ☐ Applicants must apply online through CSDCAS at capcsd.org/csdcas
- ☐ In addition to completion of the CSDCAS application, students must submit the GVSU Supplemental Form and $30 application fee.

Graduate Certificate in Bioinformatics and Genomics
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*

Master of Science in Biology
- ☐ Three recommendations
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*

Master of Science in Biostatistics
- ☐ Undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or satisfactory GRE or GMAT scores
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*
- ☐ Two recommendations

Master of Business Administration – Executive Program
- ☐ One-page essay/personal statement*
- ☐ Resume

Master of Business Administration – Professional Program
- ☐ All official transcripts
- ☐ One-page essay/personal statement*
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Two recommendations

Master of Science in Cell and Molecular Biology
- ☐ Undergraduate GPA of 3.0
- ☐ Official GRE scores
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*
- ☐ Two recommendations
- ☐ Resume

Master of Science in Clinical Dietetics
- ☐ Applicants must apply online through DICAS at dicas.liaisoncas.com
- ☐ In addition to completion of the DICAS application, students must submit the GVSU Supplemental Form and $30 application fee.

Master of Science in Communications
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Two recommendations
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*

Master of Science in Criminal Justice
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*
- ☐ Three recommendations, including two from current or former professors

Master of Science in Cybersecurity
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Two recommendations
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*

Master of Science in Data Science and Analytics
- ☐ Two recommendations
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*
- ☐ Undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or satisfactory GRE or GMAT scores

*Your graduate program requires a one- to two-page essay or personal statement describing your academic preparation and background experiences, as well as your professional and educational goals as they pertain to the program for which you are applying.

CHECKLIST FOR PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS, CONTINUED

Master of Arts in Higher Education and Student Affairs Administration
- ☐ One recommendation
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Typed response to the following questions (approximately 500 words):
  - Tell us why you are interested in pursuing a graduate degree in higher education and student affairs. In your response, be sure to provide specific examples of how the curriculum and professional opportunities provided by the program at Grand Valley State University align with your professional interests and goals.
  - Tell us what you believe to be the most important issue facing higher education and student affairs in the United States and/or globally and why.

Master of Education
- ☐ One recommendation

Master of Education - School Counseling
- ☐ All official transcripts
- ☐ One recommendation

Educational Specialist in Leadership
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*
- ☐ Current resume must include the following:
  - Title of master's project or thesis, degrees received with dates, institutions, majors, and minors
  - Listing of employment
  - Description of leadership experiences, dates, and location
  - Presentations, publications, memberships, and professional development
- ☐ One recommendation

Graduate Certificate in English to Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)
No additional documents required

Master of Science in Engineering
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Three recommendations
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*

Master of Health Administration
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*
- ☐ Three recommendations
- ☐ All official transcripts
Note: Essay/personal statements and recommendations submitted previously for a graduate program other than health administration will not meet M.H.A. application requirements.

Master of Health Sciences in Biomedical Sciences
- ☐ Three recommendations
- ☐ Typed response to the following questions, limit total response to five pages:
  - What are your career/educational plans for after the master's program?
  - What do you hope to achieve while in graduate school?
  - Why are you interested in the M.H.S. program at GVSU?
  - What experiences have prepared you for success in graduate school?
  - What are your research interests and why?
- ☐ All official transcripts

Master of Science in Health Informatics and Bioinformatics
- ☐ Undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or satisfactory GRE or GMAT scores
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*
- ☐ Two recommendations

Master of Science in Human Centered Computing
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*
- ☐ Two recommendations

Interprofessional Health Informatics Graduate Certificate
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*

Master of Science in Medical Dosimetry
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Three recommendations
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*
- ☐ Prerequisite verification and GPA calculation worksheet
- ☐ All official transcripts

Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit Leadership
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Three recommendations
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*

Master of Science in Nursing, or Doctor of Nursing Practice
- ☐ Curriculum vitae/resume
- ☐ Please indicate, with an essay, the program emphasis to which you are applying.
- ☐ Provide typed responses to the following questions adhering to the guidance below.
  - ☐ Limit total response to no more than 5 double-spaced pages, excluding reference page. Between 1 to 3 paragraphs would be necessary to adequately address each question.
  - ☐ Use scholarly writing and include relevant evidence to support your responses.
  - ☐ Use citations and references following current American Psychological Association (APA)
  - Identify and describe a population of interest to you.
  - Identify three factors that may affect achievement of optimal health in the selected population.
  - Select from these factors the one that you believe is both a priority and most amenable to nursing interventions, then:
    - State your rationale for selecting this one over the other two.
    - Describe the implications of this factor for your practice now and in the future.
    - Describe the approaches you would take to deliver nursing care to the population selected, considering the influence of the selected factor.

Master of Science in Occupational Therapy
- ☐ Applicants must apply online through OTCAS at otcas.liaisoncas.com
- ☐ In addition to completion of the OTCAS application, students must submit the GVSU Supplemental Form and $30 application fee.

Post-Professional Doctorate in Occupational Therapy
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Three recommendations
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*

Graduate Certificate in Online/Blended Instruction and Assessment
- ☐ One recommendation

Graduate Certificate in Palliative and Hospice Care
No additional documents required

Master of Philanthropy and Nonprofit Leadership
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Three recommendations
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*

*Your graduate program requires a one- to two-page essay or personal statement describing your academic preparation and background experiences, as well as your professional and educational goals as they pertain to the program for which you are applying.

CHECKLIST FOR PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS, CONTINUED

Doctor of Physical Therapy
- ☐ Applicants must apply online through PTCAS at ptcas.org
- ☐ In addition to completion of the PTCAS application, students must submit the GVSU Supplemental Form and $30 application fee.

Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies
- ☐ Applicants must apply online through CASPA at caspa.liaisoncas.com
- ☐ In addition to completion of the CASPA application, students must submit the GVSU Supplemental Form and $30 application fee.

Graduate Certificate in Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner
- ☐ Curriculum vitae/resume
- ☐ One-page essay/personal statement

Master of Public Administration
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Three recommendations
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*
- ☐ All official transcripts

Master of Public Health
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Undergraduate GPA of 3.0
- ☐ Two recommendations
- ☐ Typed response to the following questions:
  - What would make you an excellent candidate for the Grand Valley State University M.P.H. program?
  - What are your expectations for a future career in public health (highlighting your emphasis area of interest)?

Limit total response to two double-spaced pages (maximum).

Master of Science in Recreational Therapy
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Two recommendations
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*

Master of Science in Speech-Language Pathology
- ☐ Applicants must apply online through CSDCAS at capcsd.org/csdcas
- ☐ In addition to completion of the CSDCAS application, students must submit the GVSU Supplemental Form and $30 application fee.

Master of Science and Specialist in School Psychology
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Three recommendations
- ☐ Typed response to the following:
  - Discuss your background and experiences that have led you to pursue school psychology (rather than other related fields), your specific interest in GVSU's program, and your future career goals.

Master of Arts in Social Innovation
- ☐ Two recommendations

*__Master of Social Work__
- ☐ Three recommendations
- ☐ Resume detailing work and volunteer experiences
- ☐ Coursework requirement form
- ☐ All official transcripts
- ☐ Indicate if you are applying for Advanced Standing status
- ☐ Essay/personal statement
  - Applicants should answer the following questions in a minimum of 2 pages and a maximum of 3 pages (double-spaced, 12-point font). These statements will be used by the GVSU Admissions Committee to assess writing skills, self-reflection, conceptualization, and critical thinking, as well as suitability for graduate studies within our MSW program. We are looking for your personalized, original responses in these statements; applicants should not submit essays generated exclusively by AI.
  - Describe your motivation to pursue a master's degree in social work at this time and how your past personal and professional experiences, opportunities, qualifications, strengths, and/or challenges have prepared you to become a master's level social work student.
  - The MSW program at GVSU is committed to social, political, economic, racial, and environmental justice and human rights. Describe your goals in social work and how these commitments/our MSW program will prepare you to become an effective social worker. How will you use your MSW degree to advance these commitments in your career? We encourage you to discuss a specific social problem, population, or type of social work within your response to this question.

Master of Science in Software Engineering
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Two recommendations

Master of Science in Water Resource Policy
- ☐ Three recommendations
- ☐ Essay/personal statement*

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*Your graduate program requires a one- to two-page essay or personal statement describing your academic preparation and background experiences, as well as your professional and educational goals as they pertain to the program for which you are applying.

STUDENT SIGNATURE/CERTIFICATION

34. You are not required to give your Social Security number, date of birth, sex, or racial/ethnic group. This information is used for compiling institutional data. It is not a factor in admission decisions. Your signature is required before GVSU can process this application.

    I certify that all the answers I have given on this application are complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that withholding information that is requested on this application will make me ineligible for admissions to GVSU, or subject to dismissal. I also understand that the university reserves the right to rescind or suspend an admission decision for any reason and at any time it deems this action warranted.

    * Signature:_____ Date: _____