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MASTER’S AND DOCTORAL DEGREES

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PROGRAMS NAMED ONE OF THE TOP NATIONWIDE BY U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT.

Master’s of Business Administration
Speech-Language Pathology
Doctor of Nursing Practice
Master’s in Nursing
Occupational Therapy
Physical Therapy
Physician Assistant
Public Affairs
Social Work
Online Master’s in Education
An advanced degree is a wise next step in lifelong learning and career growth and Grand Valley’s more than 70 areas of graduate study make getting the credentials you need more achievable than ever.

Grand Valley’s graduate programs produce effective leaders who find employment, promotions, or further graduate or professional studies that help realize those ideals. That’s the Laker Effect and we invite you to experience it yourself.
FACULTY WHO TRULY CARE

93% OF FACULTY HAVE A DOCTORATE OR TERMINAL DEGREE

55 FACULTY MEMBERS HAVE EARNED FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR AWARDS SINCE 1964

Our faculty members contribute to the growth of their professions, which means more opportunities for you to work on current, relevant, and innovative projects. And because they have connections to more than 400 local and national companies, networking, research, and consulting work is plentiful.

True to our liberal education foundation, all of our graduate programs encourage critical thinking, problem-solving, and cultural understanding, better preparing you for life in a fast-changing professional world.
“The most rewarding aspect of teaching is seeing students getting real-world experience. It’s not just about being in the classroom. Students get to see how what they’re learning can be applied to their job.”

LINDSAY CORNEAL, PH.D.
PROFESSOR, PROJECT DESIGN AND MANUFACTURING ENGINEERING
STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITIES IN THE CENTER OF IT ALL

Our investment in facilities is exceeded only by commitment to providing you with a graduate education that includes unique opportunities for professional networking and collaborative learning. Our campuses in Allendale and Grand Rapids provide the classrooms and cutting-edge research facilities to prepare graduates for the needs of regional, national, and international businesses, many of which we partner with as an important part of West Michigan’s thriving economy. With dedicated buildings for health professions, engineering, and business, it’s clear that we’re focused on being partners in your postbaccalaureate success.
Grand Rapids metropolitan area recognized as one of the best midsized cities for economic growth.

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HEALTH CAMPUS EXPANSION
DANIEL AND PAMELLA DEVOS CENTER FOR INTERPROFESSIONAL HEALTH
96%-100% PASS RATES ON PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE EXAMS:
  Athletic Training
  Nursing
  Occupational Therapy
  Physical Therapy
  Physician Assistant
  Speech and Language Pathology

“The professors had a lot of real-world experience and knowledge in the classroom as well. That really inspired me to choose Grand Valley and it also has inspired me in the field. Anything that I learn in the classroom, I can turn around and use at work the next day.”

ROB HOWARD
MASTER’S IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE
PROBATION OFFICER // MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
The professors had a lot of work the next day. I learn in the classroom, and it also has inspired me to choose Grand Valley as well. That really inspired knowledge in the classroom real-world experience and

GRAND VALLEY GRADUATE PROGRAMS

Visit gvsu.edu/acadprograms for details about the programs that interest you.

Accounting, M.S.A.
  Auditing
  Taxation
Applied Computer Science, M.S.
  Biomedical Informatics
  Cybersecurity
  Database Management
  Distributed Computing
  Information Systems Management
  Software Design and Development
  Software Engineering
  Web and Mobile Computing
Applied Linguistics, M.A.
Applied Statistics, M.S.
Athletic Training, MAT
Audiology, Au.D.
Biology, M.S.
  Aquatic Sciences
  Natural Resources
Biomedical Sciences, M.H.S.
Biostatistics, M.S.
Business Instruction, M.B.A.
  Executive Program (EMBA)
  Professional M.B.A. (PMBa)
Cell and Molecular Biology, M.S.
  Biotechnology
  Research
Clinical Dietetics, M.S.
Communications, M.S.
Criminal Justice, M.S.
  Data Science and Analytics, M.S.
  Educational Leadership, M.Ed.
  Educational Leadership
  Special Education Administration
Education, Education Technology, M.Ed.
  Education, Graduate Teacher Certification
  Education, Higher Education, M.Ed.
  Adult and Higher Education
  College Student Affairs Leadership
  Education, Instruction and Curriculum, M.Ed.
    Early Childhood Education
    Educational Differentiation
    Elementary Education
    Secondary Level Education
  Education, Leadership, Ed.S.
  Education, Literacy Studies, M.Ed.
    Reading/Language Arts
    Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)
  Education, School Counseling, M.Ed.
  Education, Special Education, M.Ed.
  Autism Spectrum Disorder
  Cognitive Impairment
  Emotional Impairment
  Learning Disabilities
Engineering, M.S.E.
  Biomedical Engineering
  Electrical and Computer Engineering
  Manufacturing Operations
  Mechanical Engineering
  Product Design and Manufacturing
  Engineering
English, M.A.
Health Administration, M.H.A.
  Finance
  Hospital Administration
  Long-term Care Administration
  Self-directed

Health Informatics and Bioinformatics, M.S.
  Medical Dosimetry, M.S.
  Nursing, M.S.N.
  Advanced Generalist/Clinical Nurse Leader
  Nursing, D.N.P.
    Advanced Practice
    Adult/Older Adult
    Child/Adolescent
    Health Systems Leadership
    Post-MSN Health Systems Leadership
  Occupational Therapy, M.S., Dr.O.T.
  Philanthropy and Nonprofit Leadership, M.P.N.L.
    Community Impact
    Custom
    Mission Advancement
    Nonprofit Healthcare
Physical Therapy, D.P.T.
  Physician Assistant Studies, M.P.A.S.
  Professional Science Masters
  Applied Statistics, M.S.
  Biostatistics, M.S.
  Cell and Molecular Biology, M.S.
  Data Science and Analytics, M.S.
  Health Informatics and Bioinformatics, M.S.
Public Administration, M.P.A.
  Criminal Justice
  Health Administration
  Nonprofit Management and Leadership
  Policy Analysis, Advocacy, and Evaluation
  State, Regional, and Local Governance
Public Health, M.P.H.
  Epidemiology
  Health Promotion
School Psychology, M.S. & Psy.S.
  Social Innovation, M.A.
  Social Work, M.S.W.
Speech-Language Pathology, M.S.
  Taxation, M.S.T.

GRADUATE CERTIFICATES
  Applied Behavioral Analysis
  Bioinformatics and Genomics
  Interprofessional Health Informatics
  Nonprofit Leadership
  Online/Blended Instruction and Assessment
  Palliative and Hospice Care
  Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner

GRADUATE BADGES
  Advanced Tax Practice
  Biomedical Informatics
  Corporate Transactions
  Cybersecurity
  Data Analytics
  Database Management
  Distributed Computing
  Emerging Leadership
  Foundations of Tax Practice
  Software Design and Development
  Software Engineering
  Wealth Planning
  Web and Mobile Computing

UNIVERSITY ACCREDITATION

Accounting and Taxation: The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB International)

Athletic Training: Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE)

Business, Seidman College of:
  The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB International)

Computer Science and Information Systems: Computing Accreditation Commission (CAC) of ABET

Engineering: Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET)

Health Administration: Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education (CAHME)

Nursing: Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)

Occupational Therapy: Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE)

Physical Therapy: Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE)

Physician Assistant Studies:
  Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA)

Public Health: Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH)

Public, Nonprofit, and Health Administration, School of:
  National Association of Public Affairs and Administration (NASPAA)

Social Work, School of:
  Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)

Speech-Language Pathology:
  Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology (CAA) of the American Speech-Language Hearing Association (ASHA)
ADMISSION TO GRAND VALLEY

To take the first step to create more opportunities and be assured of admission consideration, we recommend that you submit an application and all supporting documents 60 days before the start of the semester in which you wish to enroll.

Applicants should become familiar with entrance requirements well before their intended admission date. Some programs have more restrictive application deadlines.

Specific requirements for graduate admission are outlined in the Grand Valley State University Undergraduate and Graduate Catalog. Visit gvsu.edu/catalog.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR GRADUATE DEGREE-SEEKING STUDENTS

Applicants for graduate admission must meet the following minimum requirements in order to be considered:

- A baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university in the United States, or the equivalent of this degree from another country.
- Demonstrated ability to pursue graduate work successfully.
- A baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university in the United States, or the equivalent of this degree from another country.
- Official copies of transcripts from all institutions of higher education previously attended (whether you earned credit or not).

Transcripts must be sent from those institutions directly to the GVSU Admissions Office.

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

- Test scores from the TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language), IELTS (International English Language Testing System), MELTS (Michigan English Language Assessment), or PTE (Pearson Test of English) 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.
- Additional application documents as required by each graduate program. These requirements and application procedures are listed under each graduate degree program.

You must submit a completed application and all required documentation to the Admissions Office before your application file receives admission consideration. Applicants whose files are incomplete will not be considered for admission.

FINANCING YOUR GRADUATE STUDIES

Grand Valley offers an excellent graduate education at a reasonable cost. Still, we understand the costs of a graduate degree may be a concern to you. That's why we work hard to make sure you understand all of the different options you have for financing your studies:

- Federal loans – Degree-seeking students may qualify for federal student loans. The first step is to file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). You may apply for financial aid online at fafsa.ed.gov.
- Graduate scholarships – There are a number of scholarship opportunities available to graduate students. The best opportunities are through FASTWEB and BrokeScholar.
- Company reimbursement – Some employers are able to help employees finance their education. Talk with your supervisor about any assistance your employer can offer. You can even put off paying for a class until after it has been completed with our Company Deferment Plan.
- Graduate assistantships – A graduate assistantship is a great opportunity to offset the expenses of a graduate degree.

Visit gvsu.edu/financialaid to learn more about financing your graduate studies.

LAKER LIFETIME LEARNING ACCOUNT (L3)

The Laker Lifetime Learning account is available to any Grand Valley alumni to use for future credit-bearing coursework. This $1,000 fund can be used toward advanced degrees, badges, or certificates at Grand Valley. For eligibility and additional information visit gvsu.edu/l3/.

GRADUATE NONDEGREE-SEEKING STATUS

Students with a baccalaureate degree who are not seeking a graduate degree or have not completed all of the admission requirements of their chosen program may be granted nondegree-seeking status. A maximum of six to 12 semester credits may be earned at Grand Valley State University as a nondegree-seeking student, depending on the student’s program of interest. Some programs have more restrictive guidelines. These credits may be considered for transfer into a graduate program at a later date. Students should check specific program descriptions for details.

CHANGING FROM NONDEGREE-SEEKING TO DEGREE-SEEKING STATUS

You may seek a change in status by

1. submitting all required admission materials; and
2. submitting a degree-seeking application to the Admissions Office. Apply online at gvsu.edu/gradapply/.

Contact the Admissions Office at (616) 331-2025 or (800) 748-0246 or visit us at gvsu.edu/admissions for more information about admission requirements and procedures.
SET YOURSELF APART
A graduate degree from Grand Valley State University is a distinct advantage in this competitive marketplace. No other university in West Michigan has the faculty connections, business partnerships, and research opportunities we do. No one has our breadth of program choices and, because we attract the best and brightest, Grand Valley delivers the critical student-to-student and faculty-to-student interaction you want and need.
That’s the Laker Effect. Wouldn’t this be a great time to put it to work for you and really set yourself apart?

VISIT GRAND VALLEY
We encourage you to visit Grand Valley. Walk through the L. William Seidman Center and Richard M. DeVos Center in downtown Grand Rapids. Visit the Cook-DeVos Center for Health Sciences and Raleigh J. Finkelstein Hall on Grand Rapids’ Medical Mile. Check out the Fred M. Keller Engineering Laboratories or the John C. Kennedy Hall of Engineering. Meet with a program director. However you connect, expect to be impressed.

Contact the Admissions Office to schedule a personalized appointment. Call (616) 331-2025 or (800) 748-0246.
LOCATIONS

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Allendale, MI 49401-9403
(616) 331-2025
(800) 748-0246
admissions@gvsu.edu
gvsu.edu/admissions

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Robert C. Pew Grand Rapids Campus
401 Fulton Street West
Grand Rapids, MI 49504
admissions@gvsu.edu
(616) 331-2025
(800) 748-0246

HOLLAND
Meijer Campus in Holland
515 South Waverly Road
Holland, MI 49423
(616) 331-3910

MUSKEGON
Muskegon Regional Center
Stevenson Center for Higher Education
Muskegon Community College
221 Quarterline Road
Muskegon, MI 49442
(231) 777-0505

TRAVERSE CITY
Traverse City Regional Center
Northwestern Michigan College
2200 Dendrinos Drive, Suite 102
Traverse City, MI 40684
(231) 995-1785
(800) 922-1785

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We were named one of the Sierra Club’s Coolest Schools for our commitment to sustainability. And we’re at the top of the club’s list in Michigan for our care of the environment.

We offer more than 200 sustainability-related courses and run an aggressive recycling program.

All of our new and remodeled buildings meet LEED® standards. Even the paper this was printed on contains fiber from certified, responsibly managed forests. It was produced using certified renewable energy, includes a minimum of 10% recycled fiber, and was printed locally.

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