

# GRADUATE ADMISSIONS

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## General Requirements

Applicants to resident or online graduate programs at Liberty University are assessed according to academic background, aptitude for graduate-level work, and personal information. Professional experience may also be considered for applicants to some graduate programs. Applicants are considered without regard to race, color, gender, national or ethnic origin, age, disability, or status as a veteran or disabled veteran. The school maintains its Christian character, but does not discriminate on the basis of religion except to the extent that applicable law respects its right to act in furtherance of its religious objectives.

The mission of Liberty University is to develop Christ-centered men and women with the values, knowledge, and skills essential to impact the world. We expect that our students understand and respect our mission and purpose while enrolled at Liberty University.

Admission to Liberty University's graduate programs is governed by policies and procedures approved by the Graduate Administrative and Curriculum Committee of the Faculty Senate. Admission to graduate programs does not constitute Degree Candidacy status in a specific graduate program.

**Requirements for Degree Candidacy are outlined in the Program Specific Admission Procedures in the individual program sections of this Catalog.**

The University reserves the right to refuse admission or readmission to any prospective student or re-enrollment to any student. Any applicant who intentionally withholds pertinent information or who falsifies information may be required to withdraw from Liberty University. The regulations listed herein are subject to change after the publication of this Catalog. The University reserves the right to make necessary changes to admission requirements without notice.

Liberty University graduate programs utilize a variety of course-delivery formats, some of which are available through online instruction. Course-delivery format options vary by degree program; programs may be offered through online or residential formats.

An overview of program format options and admissions requirements by program is provided in the **Admissions Requirements Matrix** located at the end of the Graduate Admissions section.

All Liberty University students in an online program are required to meet the minimum technology requirements as listed at <https://www.liberty.edu/online/tech-requirements/>.

The Office of Graduate Admissions may request additional documentation from applicants who do not meet admissions standards. If the Office of Graduate Admissions, in its professional opinion, determines that the documentation justifies the candidate's potential for success, the Office of Graduate Admissions may present the documentation to the Office of the Provost with a request to admit the student.

## Program Formats

**Residential.** With the residential delivery format, courses in a program are delivered on campus [face-to-face] and generally last the standard semester.

**Online.** With this delivery format, courses in a program are delivered to students through an online classroom experience that is flexible, personal, and challenging. Most programs are available 100% online. One common exception is with programs that have required intensives. Courses with an intensive format may require that students attend on-campus, week long or weekend instruction that include pre- and post-work.

- Admissions Requirements Matrix
- Online Programs General Admission Procedures
- Resident Programs General Admission Procedures
- Transfer Credit Matrix

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## Admissions – Graduate Certificate Programs

### General Requirements

Applicants to the graduate certificate programs are assessed according to academic background, aptitude for graduate-level work, and personal information. Professional experience may also be considered for applicants to some graduate programs. Applicants are considered without regard to race, color, gender, national or ethnic origin, age, disability, or status as a veteran or disabled veteran. Liberty University maintains its Christian character, but does not discriminate on the basis of religion except to the extent that applicable law respects its right to act in furtherance of its religious objectives.

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Admission to graduate programs is governed by policies and procedures approved by the Graduate Administrative and Curriculum Committee of the Faculty Senate. Admission to graduate programs does not constitute Certificate Candidacy status in a specific graduate program. ***Requirements for Certificate Candidacy are outlined in the Program Specific Admission Procedures in the individual program sections of this Catalog.***

The University reserves the right to refuse admission or readmission to any prospective student or re-enrollment to any student. Any applicant who intentionally withholds pertinent information or who falsifies information may be required to withdraw from Liberty University. The regulations listed herein are subject to change after the publication of this Catalog. The University reserves the right to make necessary changes to admission requirements without notice.

Graduate certificate programs utilize a variety of course-delivery formats, some of which are available through on-campus and online instruction and videos. Course delivery format options vary by certificate program.

An overview of program format options and admissions requirements by program is provided in the ***Admissions Requirements Matrix*** located at the end of the Graduate Admissions section.

Applicants to all graduate programs are required to have access to the Internet, e-mail service, and proficiency with word processing software.

## Program Format

**On-Campus [Residential].** With the residential delivery format, courses in a program are delivered on campus [face-to-face] and generally last the standard semester.

**Online [Distance Education].** With the online delivery format, courses in a program are delivered to students through a virtual classroom experience that is flexible, personal, and challenging. Through the online format a student can complete a certificate program entirely online.

- Admissions Requirements Matrix for Certificates
- Certificate Transfer Credit Matrix
- Online General Certificate Admission Procedures
- Resident General Certificate Admission Procedures