

SPU Graduate Application

APPLICATION INFORMATION

To help us get an accurate picture of your academic and personal qualifications, please respond clearly and completely to each of the questions in this application.

An admission decision cannot be made until all required admission materials are submitted for the program to which you are applying. A complete application includes recommendations, official transcripts, test scores, a personal statement, and a résumé. For the checklist related to your program, see the previous page.

1.

College of Interest:

Program Interest:

Specialization:

2. GENERAL INFORMATION

Please select an entry quarter and year:

- Autumn Winter Spring Summer
 2008 2009 2010 2011

Have you ever applied for admission to SPU? Yes No

Have you ever attended SPU? Yes No

If yes, when did you last attend? _____

If currently attending, which program? _____

Are you employed by SPU? (response required) Yes No

Are you related to an SPU Employee? Yes No

If Yes, to whom? _____

Are you interested in receiving information about on-campus housing?

- Yes No

How did you first hear about your program of interest?

- Friend/relative Poster SPU website
 Postcard Email Radio
 Campus newspaper Newspaper Graduate Fair
 Magazine Internet ad Other

3. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Applicant Name

Prefix First Middle Last

Preferred First Former Name

Permanent Address

Address Street 1 Street 2

City

State/Province Zip/Postal Code Country (if other than U.S.)

Mailing Address

Mailing Address Street 1 Street 2

City

State/Province Zip/Postal Code Country (if other than U.S.)

Contact Information

Daytime Telephone No. _____

Evening Telephone No. _____

Cell Phone No. _____

Email Address _____

4. Citizenship

Social Security Number _____ Date of Birth _____
month/day/year

Are you a U.S. citizen? Yes No Country of Citizenship _____ Current Visa Type _____

Are you a permanent resident? Yes No If yes, please indicate Resident alien number **A**- _____

Please Note: Those who are not citizens or permanent residents of the United States must provide an official confidential statement of financial support covering each year of intended enrollment.

Country of Birth _____

5. Additional Information (optional)

Marital Status (optional): Married Single

Gender: Female Male

Ethnicity Hispanic/Latino
 Mexican, Mexican Americano, Chicano
 Puerto Rican
 Cuban
 Other Spanish/Latino

Race American Indian or Alaska Native
 Asian
 Black or African American
 Multi-racial
 Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
 White

If other Spanish/Latino, please specify

Is English your first language? Yes No

What is your church/religious affiliation? _____

Do you have a disability as defined under the Americans with Disabilities Act? Yes No

Are you a military veteran? Yes No

If yes, what is your separation date? _____

Do you plan to apply for financial aid? Yes No

6. EDUCATIONAL HISTORY

Official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended are required for admission. Request that your transcripts be sent to:

The Graduate Center
Seattle Pacific University
3307 Third Avenue West, Suite 111
Seattle, Washington 98119-1922

Applicants to the School of Business and Economics should send their official transcripts to:

Associate Graduate Director
School of Business and Economics
Seattle Pacific University
3307 Third Avenue West, Suite 201
Seattle, Washington 98119

Degree, certificates or additional college-level coursework completed. Begin with the most recent attendance.

DEGREE/CERTIFICATE MAJOR GRANTING INSTITUTION LOCATION DATE EARNED QUARTER OR SEMESTER SYSTEM?

(e.g., BA, MA, C.PA., etc.)

_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Quarter <input type="checkbox"/> Semester
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_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Quarter <input type="checkbox"/> Semester

Was your baccalaureate degree earned at an institution where English was the primary language of instruction? Yes No

7. TESTS

Test scores are valid for up to five years. Please contact the testing agency and request test scores be sent directly to:

The Graduate Center
 Seattle Pacific University
 3307 Third Avenue West, Suite 111
 Seattle, Washington 98119-1922

		ACCEPTED			REQUIRED	
ACCEPTED SPU GRADUATE PROGRAM TESTS		GRE	MAT	GMAT	WEST-B	WEST-E
College of Arts and Sciences	MA-TESOL	✓	✓			
	MA-TESOL with Cert.	✓	✓		✓	✓
School of Business and Economics	M.B.A.			✓		
	ISM	✓		✓		
School of Education	ARC *	✓	✓		✓	✓
	Curriculum & Instruction *	✓	✓			
	Ed Leadership *	✓	✓			
	Literacy	✓	✓			
	Master of Arts in Teaching *	✓	✓		✓	✓
	School Counseling (M.Ed.) **	✓	✓			
	Doctor of Education	✓	✓			
School Counseling (Ph.D.)	✓	✓				
School of Psychology, Family, and Community	Clinical Psychology	✓				
	Marriage and Family Therapy	✓	✓			
	Organizational Psychology	✓	✓			

* GRE/MAT waived if undergraduate GPA (or last 45/Quarter credits) is 3.0 or above

** GRE/MAT waived if undergraduate GPA (or last 45/Quarter credits) is 3.4 or above

TEST INFORMATION

If you have received your test results, please indicate your scores. (Please give the scores from the most recent exam only.) Please indicate the date you completed the test, or the date you anticipate taking the test.

GRE

Verbal _____ Quantitative _____ Analytical _____ Total _____ Anticipated Date _____ Completed Date _____

MAT

Total Score _____ Anticipated Date _____ Completed Date _____

GMAT

Verbal _____ Quantitative _____ Writing _____ Total _____ Anticipated Date _____ Completed Date _____

TOEFL *

TOEFL score _____ Anticipated Date _____ Completed Date _____

Test Type: Electronic Paper

WEST-B

Mathematics score _____ Reading score _____ Writing score _____ Total _____ Anticipated Date _____ Completed Date _____

WEST-E

Subject _____ Score _____ Anticipated Date _____ Completed Date _____

Other Test Name and Scores _____

*International applicants whose primary language is not English must submit TOEFL scores.

8. OTHER PROGRAMS

Please list any other graduate programs to which you are applying.

Institution _____

Institution _____

Institution _____

Institution _____

9. EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Please list your two most recent places of employment (list most recent first). *Note: The School of Business and Economics requires the equivalent of a minimum of one year's full-time continuous work experience (at least two years preferred).*

Company/Institution _____
Institution Name Address

Job Title or Duties _____ Dates of Employment _____
Date Started (month/year) End Date (month/year)

Company/Institution _____
Institution Name Address

Job Title or Duties _____ Dates of Employment _____
Date Started (month/year) End Date (month/year)

School of Education applicants only: Total number of years teaching experience _____

10. RÉSUMÉ

Please attach a copy of your current résumé.

Note to Health Science Applicants: Please identify clinical or business practice experience on your résumé.

11. RECOMMENDATIONS

Note: The MFA in Creative Writing program and The School of Education non-doctoral degree programs do not require a specific form to be completed by the person giving a recommendation. For all other programs please contact the Graduate Center for specific recommendation forms.

Please send letters of recommendation to:

The Graduate Center
Seattle Pacific University
3307 Third Avenue West, Suite 111
Seattle, Washington 98119-1922

11. PERSONAL STATEMENT

Applicants must present a typed personal statement. Please read and complete specific program requirements detailed below:

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages — TESOL (M.A.) and TESOL (M.A.) with Teacher Certification *

In a typed narrative (not exceeding two pages), provide responses to the following questions. The quality of your essay is a consideration in the admission decision.

- Describe your career objectives for the next 5–10 years.
- Specifically, identify the ways in which you expect SPU's MA-TESOL program will help you to achieve these goals.
- SPU is a university committed to Christian faith and values. The development of ethical sensitivity is an integral part of the school's mission. Describe how your personal faith/philosophy of life has influenced your career goals. Explain the ways in which you expect to further develop your faith/philosophy of life as a result of studying in SPU's MA-TESOL program.

* Candidates applying for teacher certification must also include information required in the Master of Arts in Teaching (M.A.T.) sections below.

Creative Writing (MFA)

Submit an essay discussing your development as a writer and as a person of faith. Your completed essay should be approximately 3–4 pages in length, double-spaced. The quality of your presentation in response to these questions is a consideration in the admission decision.

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Please complete the following for certification programs (M.A.T., ARC, or MA-TESOL with Teacher Certification) only:

Have you had any criminal convictions in the last seven years? Yes No

Have you been convicted of any gross misdemeanor in your profession? Yes No

If you answered YES to either of the conviction questions, please provide an explanation.

Doctoral (Ed.D.)

Provide a personal statement describing future professional plans and goals. This should not exceed 300 words and should also include the rationale for pursuing a doctoral degree.

Master of Arts in Teaching (M.A.T.), MA-TESOL with Teacher Certification, and ARC

Address the following areas relative to your decision to pursue a teaching career: your personal strengths, your knowledge of the subject to be taught, your interest/experience in teaching, your ability to be a positive role model for students, and your leadership skills. Incorporate any previous experience working with adolescents in a school or other setting.

All Other School of Education Programs

Describe your personal and professional goals and how you believe your study at Seattle Pacific University's School of Education can help you attain these goals.

SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Complete the following:

- Are you a registered nurse in Washington state? Yes No
- Are you a registered nurse in another state? Yes No What state? _____
- Are you a registered nurse in the U.S. Military? Yes No
- Have you taken a college-level statistics course? Yes No (*grade 2.0 minimum*)

If yes, where taken: _____ If no, plan to take on: _____
month/year

NP Applicants only: Documentation of active nursing practice within the last two years.

Master of Science in Nursing (M.S.N.) (NP Cert, NE Cert)

Provide a personal statement of professional and leadership goals describing your potential for success in a master’s-level, leadership-focused program of study and practice specific to the Seattle Pacific University mission statement and the School of Health Sciences Mission statement.

SPU Mission Statement:

“Seattle Pacific University seeks to be a premier Christian University fully committed to engaging the culture and changing the world by graduating people of competence and character, becoming people of wisdom, and modeling grace-filled community.”

SHS Mission Statement:

“The SHS mission is to partner with the community, develop graduates who engage the culture, change the world, and:

- Serve all people with the highest level of professional care;
- Demonstrate competence in a diverse and changing environment;
- Act with wisdom, character, and caring; Demonstrate leadership in all aspects of nursing; and
- Promote optimum health of body, mind, and spirit.

SCHOOL OF PSYCHOLOGY, FAMILY, AND COMMUNITY

Complete the following:

- Have you had any criminal convictions in the last seven years? Yes No
 - Have you been convicted of any gross misdemeanor in your profession? Yes No
- If you answered YES to either of the conviction questions, please provide an explanation.

Medical Family Therapy applicants only:

- 1. Are you currently practicing? Yes No
- 2. Are you licensed to practice in Washington state (or any other state)? Yes No

Medical Family Therapy Certificate

Please provide a typed explanation of your reasons for seeking this certificate in Medical Family Therapy. Include your plans for using this knowledge after earning your certificate.

Marriage and Family Therapy (M.S.)

Applicants must submit a typed personal statement. Present a succinct statement that provides an accurate indication of writing and grammatical skills. Generally, statements should be three to four pages in length. The personal statement should address a) career objectives; b) rationale for seeking the degree and choosing to attend; c) personal interest in marriage and family therapy; d) professional and personal strengths as they apply to the mental health profession; e) related volunteer or work experiences; f) the way in which personal and professional life experiences have converged to motivate application to the MFT graduate program; and g) other insights as deemed appropriate by the applicant.

Clinical Psychology (Ph.D.)

Applicants must submit a typed personal statement. Present a succinct statement that provides an accurate indication of writing and grammatical skills. Generally, statements should be three to four pages in length. Address career objectives, rationale for seeking this degree in clinical psychology, and why you choose to attend SPU. Mention your professional and personal strengths as they apply to the mental health profession, related work experiences, personal values, religious background, or any other insights deemed appropriate by the applicant.

Organizational Psychology (M.A. and Ph.D.)

Applicants must submit a typed personal statement. Present a succinct statement that provides an accurate indication of writing and grammatical skills. Generally, statements should be three to four pages in length. Address career objectives, rationale for seeking this degree in organizational psychology, and why you choose to attend SPU. Mention your professional and personal strengths as they apply to the mental health profession, related work experiences, personal values, religious background, or any other insights deemed appropriate by the applicant.

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS

In separate typed narratives, answer the following questions. The quality of your presentation in response to these questions is a consideration in the admission decision. Your completed three-question essay should not exceed four pages total, double-spaced.

M.B.A. Program

1. Describe your work and non-work (civil, social, church) experiences, if any, in which you have a responsibility for: financial performance; leadership and supervision; planning and policy formation. Indicate which one of these experiences has been most personally gratifying and why.
2. Describe your career objectives for the next 5-10 years. Specifically identify the ways in which you expect SPU's graduate program to assist you in realizing these goals. Explain ways you can contribute to your fellow students as they seek to realize their goals.
3. SPU is a community committed to Christian faith and values. The development of ethical sensitivity is an integral part of the school's mission. Describe how your personal faith/philosophy of life influenced your career goals. In what ways do you expect to further develop your personal faith/philosophy of life as a result of studying in SPU's graduate program?

ISM Program

1. Describe your work and non-work (civil, social, church) experiences, if any, in which you have a responsibility for: planning, development, and management of information systems and technology; leadership and supervision. Indicate which one of these experiences has been most personally gratifying and why.
2. Describe your career objectives for the next 5-10 years. Specifically identify the ways in which you expect SPU's graduate program to assist you in realizing these goals. Explain ways you can contribute to your fellow students as they seek to realize their goals.
3. SPU is a community committed to Christian faith and values. The development of ethical sensitivity is an integral part of the school's mission. Describe how your personal faith/philosophy of life influenced your career goals. In what ways do you expect to further develop your personal faith/philosophy of life as a result of studying in SPU's graduate program?

SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

The personal statement is an important part of your application materials for the M.A. and M.Div. degrees, and the quality of your essay will be taken into consideration. As you write your personal statement, please include answers to the questions below. Your answers may be incorporated into your essay in any order.

Personal Statement Questions:

Compose in a narrative format with a finished length of 3-4 typewritten pages.

1. Explain your rationale for choosing the M.A. or M.Div. and why you chose to attend Seattle Pacific University.
2. What are your career objectives for the next 5-10 years?
3. Identify the ways in which you expect the M.A. or M.Div. degrees will help you to achieve your career objectives.
4. SPU is a university committed to Christian faith and values. Provide a brief narrative of your personal faith journey, describe how it has influenced your career objectives.
5. In what ways do you expect to develop your faith as a result of studying in the School of Theology's graduate program?
6. Include any other insights that you believe are important or appropriate.

12. SPU COMMUNITY STANDARDS STATEMENT

Please read and confirm this statement with your signature

Seattle Pacific is an academic, social, and Christian community with expectations which serve as guidelines for membership in the community. These expectations include a standard of personal health, moral integrity, and social conscience derived from the University's Christian commitment.

Acknowledging that not all students share the University's Christian commitments, out of respect for community standards, all graduate students are required to abstain from alcohol, drugs and tobacco, and illegal, immoral, or disruptive activities while on campus or while involved in University-related activities.

I hereby make application for admission to the indicated graduate program at Seattle Pacific University, having completely and truthfully answered the preceding questions. If admitted, I agree to abide by the aforementioned expectations of the University.

By signing below I indicate my awareness that a routine background check may be part of the application process and that deliberate falsification of any admissions information or documents is grounds for non-admission to, or dismissal from, Seattle Pacific University.

Signature

Date

Nondiscrimination Policy

It is the policy of Seattle Pacific University not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability in its programs or activities, as required by applicable laws and regulations.

If you have any questions regarding this policy, please contact the following person:

Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs/Dean of Student Life

Campus Location: Room 209, Student Union Building
Seattle Pacific University 3307 Third Avenue West, Suite 212
Seattle, Washington 98119-1950
206-281-2481

If you believe you may have been discriminated against in violation of this policy, please immediately contact the individual designated above. Copies of the Grievance Procedures may be obtained from the above designated individual; the Office of Student Life; and copies of the grievance procedures are also posted on the University's website at www.spu.edu.