International PhD/DE Application Instructions

1) **Online application** – [https://www.smu.edu/Lyle/ApplyNow/DoctoralAdmission](https://www.smu.edu/Lyle/ApplyNow/DoctoralAdmission)

2) **Required** application materials – These items may be uploaded into the application before submission
   - a. Statement of Purpose
   - b. Professional Resume
   - c. Unofficial Transcripts - Official transcripts will be required if admitted into a Lyle Program
   - d. Letters of Recommendation – Provide recommender contact information and a form will be sent to them. Once completed it will upload into your application file.

3) **Additional required** items – The below materials will need to be OFFICIAL and sent to our Central Admissions Office digitally or by mail: 
   
   a. **Proof of English proficiency**
      - i. TOFEL iBT – minimum 80 out of 120
      - ii. IELTS – minimum 6.5 band score
      - iii. Duolingo - minimum 105
      - iv. Exemptions – only those who can provide proof of study from either a US, Australian, New Zealand or UK institution will have this requirement waived.
   
   b. **GRE Scores**
      - i. The quantitative section is reviewed for scores in 80% percentile and above.

4) **$75 application fee** - After reviewing your materials “click” submit and you will be taken to the payment page. All major credit cards are accepted. * No application fee waivers are permitted.

*Please note:

- Contact with your intended academic department is highly suggested before starting the application process. This will assist in the application review timeline and questions regarding funding opportunities.
- For additional questions or assistance with the application process please contact: [alreynolds@smu.edu](mailto:alreynolds@smu.edu)