



Application Instructions for International Applicants (F1, F2, J1, and J2 Visa Holders):

1. Start the online graduate application <https://gradadmission.smu.edu/apply/>
2. Upload Statement of Purpose
3. Upload Professional Resume
4. Upload unofficial transcripts to application. Unofficial transcripts are acceptable for application purposes. Official transcripts will be required upon admission to SMU.

If admitted, request official transcripts from the Registrar of each college or university attended. If more than one college or university appears on your graduating transcript, you still need the official transcript from each and every school attended.

Please send your official transcripts to the following address:

**Southern Methodist University
Graduate Application Processing
PO Box 518
Dallas TX 75275-0518**

5. Send GRE test scores required only in the following situations:
 - For Master's-level applicants applying to one of the following degree areas: Civil Engineering, Computer Engineering, Computer Science, Electrical Engineering, Environmental Engineering, Engineering Entrepreneurship, Information Engineering Management, Mechanical Engineering, Operations Research
 - For Master's-level applicants applying for Software Engineering or Security Engineering that don't have relevant work experience, the GRE is required
 - For all Doctoral-level applicants.
 - **Minimum scores required:** Quantitative score in the 80th percentile - Each department has slightly different score requirements. Contact the admissions office to find out if your department has a different GRE standard - lylegrad@mail.smu.edu

6. Send English Language Proficiency Exam Score

- For the TOEFL we require a minimum overall score of 80 out of 120
- For the IELTS exam we require a minimum overall score of 6.5
- TOEFL or IELTS test is waived if you received a degree from an institution in the US, UK or Australia. Contact Lylegrad@smu.edu to receive waiver.

7. Three (3) letters of recommendation required only in the following situations:

- For all Doctoral-level applicants.
- For Master's applicants the letters of recommendation are optional and not required. If you wish to have LOR's considered, please have the person writing your letter of recommendation email it to gradappmaterials@smu.edu.

8. Pay the \$75 application fee. After submitting your application, you will be able to pay this fee from your application status page.

Application Checklist: Please use this checklist as your guide for ensuring all your application materials are complete.

- Complete graduate application <https://gradadmission.smu.edu/apply/>
- Statement of Purpose
- Professional Resume
- Transcripts from each and every college or university attended (unofficial transcripts are acceptable for application purposes. Official transcripts will be required if admitted to SMU)
- Send GRE scores to Gradappmaterials@smu.edu (If applicable, see #5)
- Send TOEFL or IELTS scores (See #6)
- Recommendation Letters (optional for master's level students. Three required for doctoral level students. See # 7)
- Application fee - \$75.00 (required, cannot be waived)
- If admitted, accept your offer of admission in your admission portal