

MADI Applicants

1. Complete the graduate application

Fill out all required fields and submit the online application.

<https://gradadmission.smu.edu/apply/>

2. Pay the \$75 application fee

After submitting your application, you will be able to pay this fee from your application status page.

3. Submit an updated professional resume

4. Order transcripts

Request from the Registrar of each college or university attended that an official transcript of your work be sent directly to the address below. If more than one college or university appears on your graduating transcript, you still need the official transcript from each and every school attended.

Graduate Application Processing

PO Box 518

Dallas TX 75275-0518

5. Recommendations: We ask for 2--these are from people who can speak to your tolerance for ambiguity, ability to collaborate with others, and willingness to think independently. You can choose people from professional or academic backgrounds (including a peer or colleague). We also hope each recommendation will provide a reflection of you in light of our program's [core values](#).

6. Statement of Purpose: There are two things we want to learn about you. First, how are you a superstar? What is your magic power, the thing you are great at in the world? Furthermore, what do you have a fire in the belly for? Second, what do you want MADI to be in your life? what is your point of view that leads you to and through this unique degree program? And what purpose will MADI serve for your life?

7. Additional materials: You are welcome to submit supplementary materials that either provide a different take on the statement of purpose, or tell us more about you. Our application system can accept PNG and PDF, but how to upload videos? link? If you have any issues, email Devon Skerritt at ds Kerritt@smu.edu.

The priority application deadline to be considered for any institutional grants or scholarships is April 3.

A word about financial assistance: scholarships are available on a very limited basis and awarded by each individual department. You should be prepared to fully support yourself financially throughout the program but there are many ways in which MADI students fund their graduate degree so reach out if you have questions or need support.