Application Instructions and Procedures

All application materials must be received by the application deadline to receive full consideration. For application deadlines and entry terms, refer to the priority deadlines. International applicants and those with international transcripts should consult the International Requirements Page, for deadlines and other requirements, as they may differ.

- Complete graduate application form and submit the $55 non-refundable application fee. Fee is waived for Seattle University alumni and employees.
- Evidence of minimum of earned four-year baccalaureate degree from regionally accredited institution or U.S. equivalent. As evidenced submit official, degree-posted transcript from last 90 quarter/60 semester graded credits of your bachelor’s degree, including any transfer institution credit earned during this time period. Official transcripts from any post-baccalaureate institution also required.
- 3.00 GPA in last 90 quarter/60 semester credits is recommended. In special cases, probationary admission possible with less than 3.00 GPA. Applicants earning a bachelor’s degree from non-graded institutions must submit official scores from Graduate Record Exam (GRE) in lieu of GPA.
- Current résumé reflecting at least two years management experience in a nonprofit organization or comparable work or volunteer experience.
- Two recommendations using MFA forms provided through application by individuals who have evaluated applicant’s academic work or supervised practical experience and are able to assess potential for graduate study. Letters should address applicant’s potential for academic success at graduate level, specifically noting fit of applicant to mission and goals of Seattle University and the MFAL program.
- A statement describing career objectives and how participation in the program will support achievement of career goals. This statement should not exceed 2 pages, single-spaced.
- Applicants with undergraduate course work earned abroad must have their transcripts evaluated by one of two designated agencies. Details can be found here.
- Applicants for whom English is a non-native language must demonstrate English proficiency regardless of English language studies, residence in the United States or an English-speaking country, or immigration status. Graduate applicants with a baccalaureate or higher degrees from recognized colleges in the U.S., Canada, Great Britain, Ireland, New Zealand or Australia and who have continued to reside in countries where English is the primary language for at least two years prior to applying to Seattle University will have this requirement waived. English proficiency may be met with an official TOEFL score of 92 (IBT), or 580 (PBT); the IELTS exam with a minimum score of 7.0; PTE score of 63.
Send documents directly to Graduate Admissions:

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