Applying to the Graduate Program: U.S. Applicants

The Department of Germanics welcomes all applicants to our Graduate program. Please carefully read through the information provided below before you begin the application process. U.S. Applicants are United States citizens, permanent residents, and immigrants.

Preparing to Apply

The Department strongly encourages prospective applicants to carefully research and examine the guidelines for graduate admission, before beginning the process of applying. If you have questions regarding basic Graduate School admission policies, please contact the Graduate School Program Coordinator. If you have department-related questions please email our graduate assistant at uwgerman@u.washington.edu.

Visit the Graduate Admission Information site for valuable information regarding how the University of Washington handles graduate applications and for on-line application procedures.

Testing

GRE scores are required of all applicants. Test scores must be submitted electronically using the University of Washington code 4854.

Applying

When you have read through the preliminary material and determined yourself eligible for admittance to the UW Graduate School and the Department of Germanics graduate program, you will then begin the actual application procedure.

PLEASE NOTE: All applicants must submit a signed copy of the on-line application to the Department of Germanics.

UW Graduate School Application:

Complete online application: https://www.grad.washington.edu/applForAdmiss/

Department of Germanics Application:

Prepare the following documents:

1. A signed copy of the UW Graduate School application
2. A complete set of official transcripts (certified and translated as applicable)
3. Three letters of recommendation (These can now be submitted on-line. We do not provide forms for the recommendations. If submitted as hard copy, the letters must be confidential and on official letterhead. Recommendation letters can be in German or English)
4. A statement of purpose describing your background, training and degree objectives. An optional personal statement may also be
submitted. This statement provides an opportunity to let the admissions committee know about educational, cultural or economic disadvantages you may have experienced.

5. A writing sample (For an MA applicant, the writing sample should be a 8-10 pp. critical paper or part of a thesis paper. For those applying for the Ph.D., it should be 10-25pp. Papers can be in German or English.)

6. **Teaching Assistantship Application (PDF)**

Send your complete application to the following address:

Department of Germanics  
Attn: GPA  
Box 353130  
360 Denny Hall  
Seattle, WA 98195-3130

PLEASE NOTE: Applications must be received by January 15, 2018.

**Notification**

Applicants can expect to be notified that they have received a Fellowship or Teaching Assistantship by April 15th. The official letters of acceptance (sent by the Graduate School) arrive in May. If you have not heard from the Graduate School by July 1st, please contact the Germanics Department.

---

**Source URL:** https://germanics.washington.edu/applying-graduate-program-us-applicants