ADMISSIONS PROCEDURES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

DEADLINES:
Deadlines vary by program; however, international students must apply a minimum of six months prior to the desired start term. Specific information regarding dates can be found on the School of Education website, specifically, on the admission requirements page for the program to which you are applying. Direct questions to: soeinfo@pitt.edu or 412.648.2230.

ADMISSION MATERIALS MUST INCLUDE:

- The completed application for admission (available online)
- A non-refundable application fee of $50 (U.S.), by credit card, check or money order payable to "University of Pittsburgh"
- Official transcripts from every institution previously attended, including the University of Pittsburgh if applicable, mailed to the School of Education Admissions and Enrollment Services, 5500 Posvar Hall, 230 South Bouquet Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15260, or sent electronically to powens@pitt.edu
- Applicants who have completed the equivalent of a baccalaureate degree at an institution outside of the United States are required to provide the graduate admissions and enrollment office with official third-party evaluations of those academic credentials. These evaluations must be completed by an accredited organization. For your convenience, we have listed two organizations among many, which provide the evaluations below:
  - International Education Research Foundation, Inc.
    Inez H. Sepmeyer, President
    P.O. Box 66940
    Los Angeles, California 90066
    Phone (310) 390-6276
    Fax (310) 397-7686
    www.ierf.org
  - World Education Services, Inc.
    Mariam Assefa, Executive Director
    P.O. Box 745
    Old Chelsea Station
    New York, NY 10011
    Phone (212) 966-6311
    Fax (212) 966-6395
    www.wes.org
- Official score report from ETS for the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), with a minimum score of 550 on the written test, 213 on the computer-based test, or 80 on the internet-based test, or a minimum Band score of 6.5 on the International English Language Testing System (IELTS). This is required of all applicants whose native language is not English, and/or who have not completed an academic degree from a college or university in the United States where the method of instruction is English. The TOEFL Institution code for the University of Pittsburgh is 2927; the department code for education is 85. IELTS results should be mailed directly to our office: 5500 Wesley Posvar Hall, 230 South Bouquet Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15260.
- The completed International Graduate Student Supplemental Application and Certification of Financial Responsibility forms
- A statement of career goals and degree objectives, two to three pages double-spaced in length (can be uploaded as part of the online application)
- Three letters of recommendation (see online application for electronic letters of recommendation.)
- A resume or curriculum vita (can be uploaded as part of the online application)

Additional Requirements for Applicants to PhD Programs Only:
- A professional writing sample in the form of a previously completed term paper, master’s thesis, article, etc., that does not exceed 20 pages in length (can be uploaded as part of the online application).
- GRE scores are required for all international PhD applicants.

Additional Information Regarding Pennsylvania Teacher Certification (MAT Program):
- International students may only apply for the Foreign Language teacher certification program.

Please consult program descriptions for any additional program requirements. Revised: 8/16