

GRADUATE ADMISSION

Aurora University admits qualified students from varied geographical, cultural, economic, racial and religious backgrounds. In each candidate, Aurora University looks for two general qualities: academic ability enabling a person to benefit from the university's excellent programs and a diversity of talents and interests that will make our campus community a better and richer place to learn. Applications will be considered on the basis of academic ability, character, activities and motivation.

All correspondence about admission should be addressed to the:

Center for Graduate Studies
Aurora University
347 S. Gladstone Ave.
Aurora, IL 60506-4892

For further information about admission to the university, call 630-844-5294, email AUadmission@aurora.edu or visit [aurora.edu](http://www.aurora.edu) (<http://www.aurora.edu>).

General Graduate Admission Procedures

Admission to Aurora University graduate programs requires that students meet general university requirements for graduate admission, as well as various specific requirements of the particular program the student wishes to enter. General university requirements are detailed below. Refer to the individual program sections that follow for the additional requirements specific to each graduate program.

All applicants for graduate admission must submit:

- a. A completed Application for admission. (Note: The application may be completed online at [aurora.edu/apply](http://www.aurora.edu/apply) (<http://www.aurora.edu/apply/>).
- b. Official sealed transcripts of all prior undergraduate and graduate work sent directly to the Center for Graduate Studies. Some programs may require only specific transcripts to be submitted. Aurora University accepts official transcripts at AU-ETranscripts@aurora.edu (AU-ETranscripts@%20aurora.edu).
- c. Letters of recommendation from persons able to attest to the student's academic and/or professional potential.

See the specific requirements of the program; some programs require letters of recommendation from specific individuals or letters addressing specific areas of preparation or competence.

Upon submission of satisfactory credentials for admission to graduate study at the university, the student's file is referred to the graduate program for consideration of the student's application for admission to that program.

General Graduate Academic Admission Requirements

- a. A bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution in a field providing appropriate background for master's study in the student's chosen program. Students whose undergraduate backgrounds are in fields other than those in which they are seeking to enter graduate study may be required to complete deficiency or prerequisite coursework before beginning master's or doctoral courses.
- b. An academic record indicative of a high probability of success in graduate study. An applicant with an undergraduate GPA of less than

2.75 on a 4.0 scale must be reviewed by a committee of master's program faculty. Individual programs may have higher admission standards.

Admission to Graduate Programs

Students admitted to graduate study at the university may only enter a specific program of study upon the approval of the program. Individual programs may require submission of additional credentials specific to the requirements of study in the program, and program-specific admission requirements may be more rigorous or varied than the general university requirements.