GRADUATE SCHOOL ADMISSIONS GUIDE

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MASTER OF ARTS IN ADULT LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT

Contact: Stephanie Smith – 318.357.6278
(Dr. Christy Hornsby – HornsbyC@nsula.edu)

Admission

- ✓ Regular Admission
- ✓ All requirements must be met
- ✓ Does NOT require departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university.
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.5 OR 2.75 in the last 60 hours of undergraduate study to be determined by department.
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities attended
- ✓ GRE score not required
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ Resume' (e-mail to Grad_School@nsula.edu)
- ✓ Letter of Intent (e-mail to Grad_School@nsula.edu)

MASTER OF ARTS IN ART (511)

Contact – Leslie Gruesbeck – 318.357.6560
GruesbeckL@nsula.edu

Admission

- ✓ Regular
- ✓ All requirements must be met
- ✓ Departmental Approval

Requirements

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university.
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.5 OR 2.75 in the last 60 hours of undergraduate study to be determined by department
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities attended
- ✓ GRE will be waived once approved by department
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation (no form letter)
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ Letter of Intent (1-2 pages) to be e-mailed to GruesbeckL@nsula.edu
- ✓ CV showing active gallery, exhibition, and/or art show participation in the last five years along with work experience record to be e-mailed to Collier Hyams at GruesbeckL@nsula.edu

MASTER OF ARTS IN COUNSELING

Stephanie Smith – 318.357.6278
(Dr. Gerra Perkins – PerkinsG@nsula.edu)

Admission

- ✓ Regular
- ✓ All requirements must be met
- ✓ Departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA 2.5 or 2.75 in the last 60 hours of undergraduate study to be determined by department.
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE can be waived with one of the following:
  - Overall GPA or 3.5 or better
  - GPA of 3.0 BUT must have 3.5 GPA in 18 hours of 3000 or 4000 level courses within the student's undergraduate major
- ✓ GRE REQUIRED (verbal + quantitative) with one of the following:
  - Minimum GPA of 3.0 AND GRE score of 278 or better
  - Minimum GPA of 2.5 AND GRE score of 280 or better
  - GPA less than 2.5, last 60 hours of coursework will be evaluated for 2.75 GPA or better, GRE required is 280 or better
- ✓ Three letters of recommendation on Counseling Letter of Recommendation form
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ Request Letter (letter requesting consideration for program admission to program including applicants' reasons for selecting the program concentration) – E-mail to Grad_School@nsula.edu
- ✓ Resume' – Include full name, address, phone numbers, e-mail, academic experiences, prior related work experiences, degrees held, honor, awards, special interests and other appropriate information. (E-mail to Grad_School@nsula.edu)
- ✓ Narrative (autobiographical narrative showing evidence of life experiences and personal maturity indicating appropriateness for the counseling field) (E-mail to Grad_School@nsula.edu)
- ✓ Interview (will be notified by Dr. Gerra Perkins of Counseling)

MASTER OF ARTS IN ENGLISH

Dr. J. Ereck Jarvis – 318.357.5586
(JarvisJ@nsula.edu)

Admission

- ✓ Regular
- ✓ All requirements must be met
- ✓ Requires departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Bachelor's degree in any field from a regionally accredited college or university
- ✓ Minimum undergraduate GPA 3.0 or better
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges or universities attended
- ✓ GRE will be waived when approved for program and all other graduate school requirements have been met
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ Writing Sample of not more than 15 pages demonstrating facility in analysis, argument, research and coherence. E-mail to Grad_School@nsula.edu AND EnglishGrad@nsula.edu
- ✓ Letter of Intent of about 500 words describing career goals and/or rational for pursuing graduate study in English. This statement should demonstrate a substantial commitment to Graduate Study. E-Mail to Grad_School@nsula.edu AND EnglishGrad@nsula.edu

MASTER OF ARTS IN STUDENT AFFAIRS IN HIGHER EDUCATION

Stephanie Smith – 318.357.6278
(Dr. Paula Christensen – Christensen@nsula.edu)

Admission

- ✓ Provisional, or Regular
- ✓ Does not require departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.5 or 2.75 in the last 60 hours of undergraduate study
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ Career Statement - autobiographical statement of purpose for pursuing graduate work in the Student Affairs field to be e-mailed to Grad_School@nsula.edu
- ✓ Resume' – To be e-mailed to Grad_School@nsula.edu

MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING

Kathy Shaw – 318.357.6144
ShawK@nsula.edu

Admission

- ✓ Provisional or Regular
- ✓ Departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.5 or better
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE scores will be waived with passing Praxis AFTER student is accepted in the MAT
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ Contact department

MASTER OF EDUCATION

Stephanie Smith – 318.357.6278

Admission

- ✓ Provisional, or Regular
- ✓ Does not require departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.5 or 2.75 in the last 60 hours of undergraduate study
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE waived with passing Praxis
- ✓ Valid teaching certificate
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Record

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ NONE

MASTER OF MUSIC
Concentration: Music Education (542A)
Kelly Krouse – 318.357.4522
(Ms. Terrie Sanders – SandersT@nsula.edu)
Priority deadlines: April 1st for fall admission and
November 1st for spring admission.

Admissions

- ✓ Provisional, or Regular
- ✓ Departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree in Music Education and teacher certification preferred, bachelor's degree in music minimum, and earned from a regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.75
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE scores must be 282 or better, OR complete an Application Portfolio
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ If GRE scores are not submitted, an application portfolio, and the following items must be submitted to Ms. Terrie Sanders at SandersT@nsula.edu for full consideration for admission.
  1. Resume/Curriculum Vita (CV); and
  2. Writing sample of not more than 15 pages demonstrating facility in analysis, argument, research, and coherence
  3. Letter of Intent (500 words minimum) that discusses the applicant's goals and reasons for pursuing the Master of Music with a concentration in Music Education, and how their graduate study at NSU fits into their plan; and
- ✓ Highly recommended that applicants without a valid teaching license pursue alternate certification concurrent with the Master's program.

MASTER OF MUSIC
Concentration: Music Performance (542B)
Kelly Krouse – 318.357.4522
(Ms. Terrie Sanders – SandersT@nsula.edu)
Priority deadlines: April 1st for fall admission
November 1st for spring admission.

Admissions

- ✓ Provisional, or Regular
- ✓ Departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree in Music Performance preferred, bachelor's degree in music minimum, and earned from a regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.75
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE scores must be 282 or better, OR complete an Application Portfolio
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ If GRE scores are not submitted, an application portfolio and the following items must be emailed to Ms. Terrie Sanders at SandersT@nsula.edu for full consideration for admission.
  1. Resume/Curriculum Vita (CV); and
  2. Letter of Intent (500 words minimum) that discusses the applicant's goals and reasons for pursuing the Master of Music degree with a concentration in Music Performance, and how their graduate study at NSU fits into their plan:
  3. Writing sample of not more than 15 pages demonstrating facility, analysis, argument, research, and coherence; and
  4. Repertoire List

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN
COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Becky Stephens – 318.357.5162
Contact: Dr. Begona Perez-Mira – PerezMirab@nsula.edu

Admission

- ✓ Provisional, or Regular
- ✓ Departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university (specific content knowledge required)
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities attended
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation (no form letter)
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirements

- ➢ One of the following
  - ✓ Minimum undergraduate GPA of 3.0 (GRE/GMAT/essay waived) OR
  - ✓ Minimum Undergraduate GPA of 2.5 and one of the following:
    - o GRE Score of 280 (verbal plus quantitative) or equivalent GMAT Score or
    - o Two to three-page essay on experience in information systems field and why student is an appropriate fit for Northwestern State CIS program. Format should be Times New Roman, 12-point font, 1-inch margins, and APA style.
  - ✓ Contact department for additional information and requirements

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN HEALTH & HUMAN PERFORMANCE

Tammy Dobson – 318.357.5126
(Dr. Mike Moulton – MoultonM@nsula.edu)

Admissions

- ✓ Conditional or Regular admission only
- ✓ All requirements must be met
- ✓ Does NOT require departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Awarded Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college
- ✓ GRE waived if overall GPA is 3.0 or better **OR**
- ✓ GRE waived if overall GPA is 3.0 or better in last 60 hours of coursework **OR**
- ✓ GRE waived with earned master's degree from a regionally accredited institution **OR**
- ✓ GRE score of 282 REQUIRED if GPA is 2.75 **OR**
- ✓ Conditional admission with 2.5 UG GPA, GRE waived, ***not eligible for Graduate Assistantship*** and must receive "B's" or better in first 9 hours of coursework for Graduate Assistantship eligibility
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ NONE

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN HOMELAND SECURITY

Meredith Machen – 318.357.6967
(Dr. Tim PardueT@nsula.edu)

Admissions

- ✓ Regular admission
- ✓ Departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ GRE not required
- ✓ Minimum GPA 2.5 or 2.75 in the last 60 hours of undergraduate study
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ Three letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ Statement of Purpose e-mailed to PardueT@nsula.edu – Serves as a writing sample and includes the applicant's reason for applying and preparation for the program; strengths and experiences that are relevant; and how the program can help the applicant realize expectations and goals.
- ✓ Resume' or CV – To be e-mailed to PardueT@nsula.edu
- ✓ Optional - Professional training transcripts or certificates applicable to the degree

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Charla Bumgardner – 318.677.3131
(Dr. Angela Hardy – HardyA@nsula.edu)

Admission

- ✓ Regular
- ✓ Departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree in Nursing from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Undergraduate GPA of 2.5 or better or 2.75 in last 60 hours of undergraduate coursework
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE will be waived with UG GPA of 2.5 or 2.75 in the last 60 hours of undergraduate coursework
- ✓ GRE score of 282 is required if undergraduate GPA is below 2.5
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ Contact department

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PSYCHOLOGY

Helen Tousek – 318.357.6594
(Dr. Cynthia Lindsey – LindseyC@nsula.edu)

Admission

- ✓ Conditional or Regular
- ✓ Departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ *Conditional* - GRE score 280 with a 3.0 undergraduate GPA or 290 with a 2.5 GPA
- ✓ *Regular*
  - No GRE required with a 3.5 undergraduate GPA **OR**
  - 3.0 undergraduate GPA with a GRE score of 290+ **OR**
  - GPA of at least 3.0 but less than 3.5 AND at least a 3.5 or better in Research Methods, Statistics, Abnormal Psychology, and nine hours in 3000 or 4000 psychology courses (no GRE required)
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ Three letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirement

- ✓ Contact department

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN RADIOLOGIC SCIENCE

School of Allied Health – 318.677.3020
(Dr. Laura Aaron – CarwileL@nsula.edu)

Admission

- ✓ Provisional, or Regular
- ✓ Does not require departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.5 OR 2.75 in the last 60 hours of undergraduate study to be determined by department.
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE is waived
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ Hold credentials in one of the medical imaging primary pathway disciplines such as Radiography, Nuclear Medicine Technology, Radiation therapy, Magnetic Resonance Imaging, or Sonography; and
- ✓ Successfully complete an undergraduate statistics or research course

EDUCATIONAL SPECIALIST

Stephanie Smith – 318.357.6812
(Dr. Katrina Jordan – JordanK@nsula.edu)

Admission

- ✓ Regular Admission Only
- ✓ All requirements must be met
- ✓ Does not require departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Valid teaching certificate
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.5
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE will be waived with passing Praxis
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ None

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

Stephanie Smith – 318.357.6278
(Dr. Christy Hornsby – HornsbyC@nsula.edu)
Fall and Spring Cohort only

Admission

- ✓ Regular Admission only
- ✓ All requirements must be met
- ✓ Departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Master's degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA from master's degree of 3.0 or better
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ Official GRE scores with minimum of 280 (verbal plus quantitative) OR other approved professional score, such as Praxis, or master's degree with minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5.
- ✓ Three letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ Resume' or CV to be scanned/e-mailed to the Dr. Christy Hornsby at **HornsbyC@nsula.edu**
- ✓ Essay writing sample (must be research-based paper) scanned or emailed to the Dr. Christy Hornsby at **HornsbyC@nsula.edu**
- ✓ Statement of Purpose - student's reason for applying and preparation for the program; strengths & experiences that are relevant and how the program can help the student realize expectations and goals scanned or emailed to Dr. Christy Hornsby at **HornsbyC@nsula.edu**

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE
Organizational Systems Leadership (901B)
Fall Start Only
LaToya Hemphill – HemphillL@nsula.edu 318.677.3139
(Dr. Aimee Badeaux – BadeauxA@nsula.edu)

Admission

- ✓ Regular admission only
- ✓ All requirements must be met
- ✓ Departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Master of Science in Nursing degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 3.0 or better
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ Three letters of recommendation (DNP recommendation form. Can be found on the College of Nursing website)
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines
- ✓ GRE will be waived with acceptable Emotional Quotient (EQ) and after approved for program

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ Contact College of Nursing at 318.677.3139 for additional requirements they may ask for.

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

Nurse Anesthesia (901C)
Spring Start Only

LaToya Hemphill – HemphillL@nsula.edu 318.677.3139
(Dr. Aimee Badeaux – BadeauxA@nsula.edu)

Admission

- ✓ Regular
- ✓ All requirements must be met
- ✓ Departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Master of Science in Nursing degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 3.0 or better
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ Three letters of recommendation (DNP recommendation form. Can be found on the College of Nursing website)
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines
- ✓ GRE will be waived with acceptable Emotional Quotient (EQ) and after approved for program

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ Contact College of Nursing at 318.677.3139 for additional requirements they may ask for.

NON-DEGREE

Contact – Graduate School – 318.357.5851

Admission

- ✓ Provisional, or Regular
- ✓ Does not require departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.5
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ None

ADD-ON CERTIFICATION IN EDUCATION AND PREP POST BACHELORS, POST MASTER'S IN EDUCATION AND ALT CERTIFICATION IN MUSIC

Kathy Shaw – 318.357.6144

Admission

- ✓ Provisional, or Regular
- ✓ Departmental Approval

Requirements

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.5
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE will be waived with passing Praxis once approved for program
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ Contact department

POST BACHELORS CERTIFICATE for ENGLISH
Teacher of English to Speakers of other Languages (TESOL)
Writing for Business Industry and Technology (WBIT)

Dr. J. Ereck Jarvis – 318.357.5586
(JarvisJ@nsula.edu)

Admission

- ✓ Regular
- ✓ Departmental Approval

Requirements

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum undergraduate GPA of 2.5 or better
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities attended
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ NONE

PMC – GLOBAL SECURITY INTELLIGENCE

Meredith Machen – 318.357.6967
(Dr. Tim PardueT@nsula.edu)

Admission

- ✓ Provisional or Regular
- ✓ Does NOT require departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Bachelor's and Master's degree from a regionally accredited college or university
- ✓ Minimum undergraduate GPA of 2.5 or better
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges or universities attended
- ✓ GRE will be waived when all requirements have been met
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ NONE

POST MASTERS CERTIFICATION IN NURSING

Charla Bumgardner – 318.677.3131
(Dr. Angela Hardy – HardyA@nsula.edu)

Admission

- ✓ Regular
- ✓ Does not require departmental approval

Requirements

- ✓ Master's Degree in Nursing from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ A graduate grade point average of 3.0 or better.
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE can be waived once Master's has been verified
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Compliance Form/Waiver or Proof of vaccines

Departmental Requirements

- ✓ Contact department