

Admission Requirements

The admission requirements for the M.Ed. program follow Shawnee State University's general requirements for graduate programs, as described in the Graduate Program Policies and Procedures Manual.

Specific requirements for each category of admission status are as follows:

REGULAR DEGREE STATUS:

- Evidence of a B.S. or B.A. degree from an accredited institution.
- Evidence of an overall GPA of 2.75 for the B.S. or B.A. degree on a 4.0 system.
- Evidence of a teaching license or equivalency, in a specialized teaching field, e.g. Early Childhood (PK-3), Intervention Specialist Mild and Moderate (PK-12), Middle Childhood (4-9), Adolescent to Young Adult in Integrated Mathematics (7-12), etc.
- In-house writing sample (assessed with a standard rubric).
- Two letters of recommendation from educational or professional sources.

CONDITIONAL DEGREE STATUS:

- If the undergraduate GPA is below 2.75, a GRE test result must be submitted by the end of the first semester with a minimum combined score of 900 in Verbal and Quantitative Reasoning.
- A Miller Analogy score of 380 or above can be used to replace the GRE score.
- If the writing sample does not pass the rubric, satisfactory performance on writing assignments must be evident in the first two courses (6 hours) in the program.
- The deficiency conditions must be rectified by the end of the first semester or the first 6 hours of coursework after the student is accepted into the program with Conditional Status.

PROVISIONAL STATUS:

- If any official evidence is missing to satisfy a candidate's qualifications for the Regular Degree Status at the time of the application deadline, this admission status may be granted for the candidate who "appears to be admissible."
- By the end of the first semester after the admission, a review will be done to change the Provisional Status into either Regular Degree Status, or the Conditional Degree Status.

NON-DEGREE STATUS:

- Per University policy, this status requires the applicant to meet the B.S. or B.A. degree requirement.
- A maximum of 12 hours coursework to be accepted if the student applies for the degree in a subsequent application.

TRANSIENT STATUS:

- The program accepts up to 9 semester hours of graduate coursework from comparable programs of other universities.
- Students must finish the capstone courses in this program.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:

- Admission requirements and procedures for international students are fully described in the excerpt from the University Graduate Program Policies and Procedures Manual.
- Applicants must meet the special requirements in English language proficiency, financial evidence, health insurance, and related immigration regulations as specified by the Immigration and Naturalization Service.
- Additionally, all international applicants must submit a GRE test result of a minimum combined score of 900 in Verbal and Quantitative Reasoning as part of the application to the program. A Miller Analogy score of 380 or above can be used to replace the GRE score.