

## Master of Science in Psychology with a Major in Behavior Analysis Application Process

Applying to the Master of Science in Psychology with a Major in Behavior Analysis is a Multi-Step process that includes completing and online application, paying the application fee and then submitting supporting application materials (official transcripts, application attestation, statement of intent, Resume/CV, and letters of recommendation). Please see below for more details about each step.

### Step 1

Complete Graduate Application found online by visiting <http://gradschool.fiu.edu>

Pay the \$30 application fee

To apply you will need to create an account on FIU's main application page. Once you have created your login information and completed the application, you will be prompted to submit a \$30 application fee (steps for payment will be provided when creating your account). For speedy processing, please have a major credit card (Visa, Master Card, American Express, or Discover) available. After successfully submitting your application, a confirmation e-mail will be sent which will include your next steps.

All supporting admission materials will need to be submitted through the application or electronically after your application has been received by the University. Once you submit your application and the submission status shows as "posted," you will have view only access to the application but will still be able to upload and attach supporting documents to your application file. You may also email documents to [gradadm@fiu.edu](mailto:gradadm@fiu.edu) (emailing documents will take longer to process and update to your file).

**Let's Get Started**

### Master's Application

**Graduate Admission Application**

Students interested in the following programs must submit the applications below **instead** of using the general graduate application:

- [Professional MBA Online Application](#)
- [Application for All Other Business Master's](#)
- [MSN Nurse Practitioner Application](#)
- [Occupational Therapy \(MS-OT\) Application](#)
- [Physician Assistant Studies \(MPA\) Application](#)
- [Public Health \(MPH\) Application](#)
- [Athletic Training \(MS-AT\) Application](#)

For students applying to the FIU bachelor's/master's combined program: [Combined Bachelor's/Master's](#)

[HTTPS://ADMISSIONS.FIU.EDU/HOW-TO-APPLY/GRADUATE-APPLICANT/APPLICATIONS/INDEX.HTML](https://admissions.fiu.edu/how-to-apply/graduate-applicant/applications/index.html)

<https://admissions.fiu.edu/how-to-apply/graduate-applicant/applications/index.html>

# Be Aware

WHEN APPLYING DO NOT HAVE ANY OTHER PROGRAMS OPEN ON YOUR BROWSER OR OPEN AN ENTIRELY SEPARATE BROWSER

- IF YOU HAVE MY.FIU.EDU PORTAL OR ANOTHER PEOPLESOFT APPLICATION OPEN YOU WILL GET AN ERROR MESSAGE SAYING YOU ARE UNAUTHORIZED

## Message

You are not authorized to access this component. (40,20)

You have not been granted security authorization for the component you are attempting to access. You may have access to the designated component and page, but not in the specified action mode (such as Correction or Update/Display). Contact your system administrator.

OK

When applying do not have any other browser programs open on your browser or open an entirely separate browser. If you have my.fiu.edu portal or another peoplesoft application open you will get an error message saying you are unauthorized (see image above)

## Step Two

**FIU** | University Graduate School  
FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Welcome to FIU's graduate admission application!

To begin your application, you must sign into your application user account with your User ID and Password. If you do not have an account, please click on the "Create User Account" link to create your User ID and Password.

All communications, including admissions decisions, from the Graduate Admissions Office will be sent to you via the email you provide on your application. Please be sure to add [gradad@fiu.edu](mailto:gradad@fiu.edu) to your safe senders list to ensure that you receive these communications.

You do not have to complete the application in one sitting and may make changes multiple times by signing into your user account. Once you submit your application, and the submission status shows as "pooled," you will have view only access to the application. You will still be able to update and attach supporting documents to your application file. Applications are deleted from this system after one year.

**Notice:** To apply for the College of Engineering & Computing for Fall 2020 and beyond, please click here.

For help/account issues, contact the IT® Support Center:  
Phone: (305) 348-2325  
Hours: Monday – Friday, 9am – 5pm EST

For all other questions, contact the Graduate Admissions Office:  
Phone: (305) 348-2300  
Hours: Mon, Tue, 9am - 5pm; Tue, Wed, 9am - 5pm EST  
Email: [gradad@fiu.edu](mailto:gradad@fiu.edu)

**Suggested Web Browsers**  
- Internet Explorer (using toolbar with IE 10's "Try Compatibility View" - Click Here)  
- Mozilla Firefox  
- Safari

**Sign In**  
Application User Account

User ID:

Password:

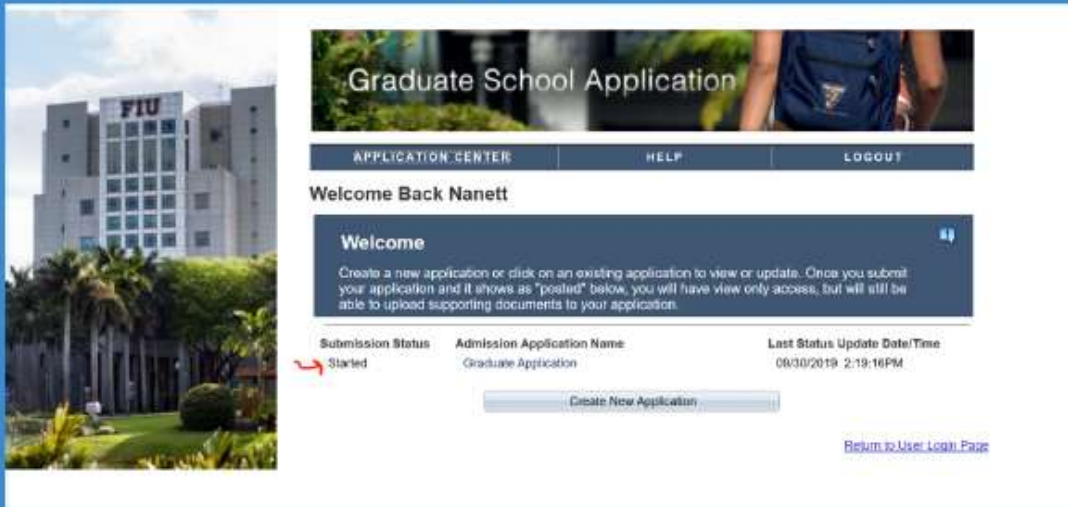
[Create User Account](#)  
[Forgot User ID/Password?](#)

USERNAME IS YOUR OWN CREATION  
(USE SOMETHING YOU WILL REMEMBER)

IT IS NOT THE SAME AS  
YOUR PANTHER ID

Username is your own creation (use something you will remember). It is **not** the same as your panther ID.

# Step Three



The screenshot shows the 'Graduate School Application' dashboard. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'APPLICATION CENTER', 'HELP', and 'LOGOUT'. Below this, a 'Welcome Back Nanett' message is displayed. A 'Welcome' section contains instructions: 'Create a new application or click on an existing application to view or update. Once you submit your application and it shows as "posted" below, you will have view only access, but will still be able to upload supporting documents to your application.' A table shows the application status:

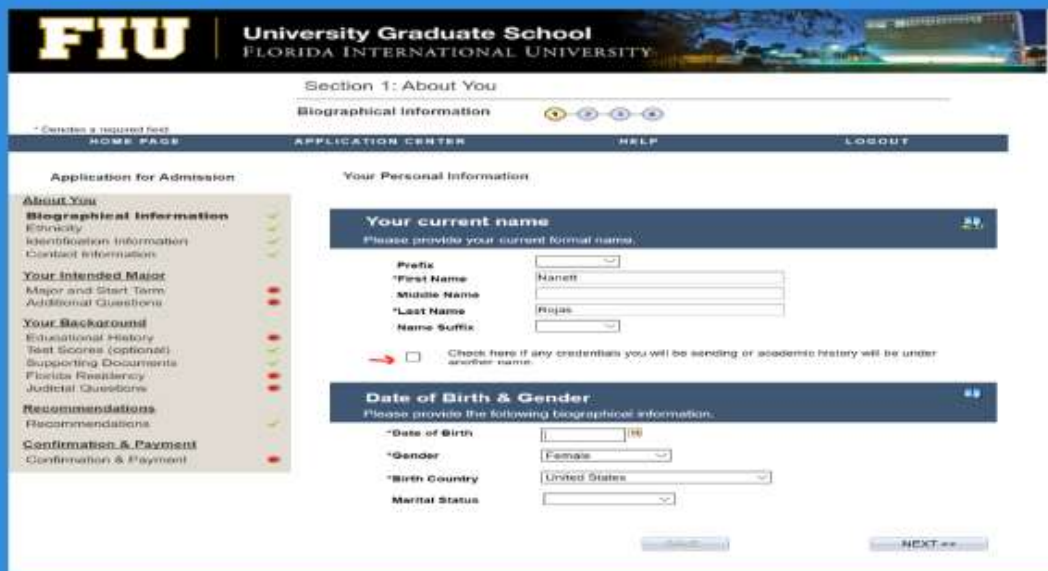
Submission Status	Admission Application Name	Last Status Update Date/Time
Started	Graduate Application	06/30/2019 2:19:16PM

Below the table is a 'Create New Application' button and a link to 'Return to User Login Page'.

COVER A RANGE OF SKILLS, FROM ACADEMIC ABILITIES TO RESEARCH EXPERIENCES, TO APPLIED EXPERIENCES IN AND OUT OF CLASS

Here you will create a new application or click on an existing application to view or update.

# Biographical Information



The screenshot shows the 'Biographical Information' section of the application. The header includes the FIU logo and 'University Graduate School FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY'. The section title is 'Section 1: About You Biographical Information'. A navigation bar at the top contains 'HOME PAGE', 'APPLICATION CENTER', 'HELP', and 'LOGOUT'. A sidebar on the left lists application sections: 'About You', 'Biographical Information', 'Your Intended Major', 'Your Backgrounds', 'Recommendations', and 'Confirmation & Payment'. The main content area is titled 'Your Personal Information' and contains two sections:

**Your current name**  
Please provide your current formal name.

Prefix: [Dropdown]  
\*First Name: [Text Field: Nanett]  
\*Middle Name: [Text Field: Rojas]  
\*Last Name: [Text Field: Rojas]  
Name Suffix: [Dropdown]

Check here if any credentials you will be sending or academic history will be under another name.

**Date of Birth & Gender**  
Please provide the following biographical information.

\*Date of Birth: [Text Field: 06/30/1998]  
\*Gender: [Dropdown: Female]  
\*Birth Country: [Dropdown: United States]  
Marital Status: [Dropdown]

Navigation buttons: [PREVIOUS] and [NEXT >>]

# Intended Major/Program

The screenshot shows the 'Term and Major' selection screen in the FIU application center. The page title is 'Section 2: Your Intended Major' and the sub-section is 'Major and Start Term'. A navigation bar includes 'HOME PAGE', 'APPLICATION CENTER', 'HELP', and 'LOGOUT'. A sidebar on the left lists various application sections with progress indicators. The main content area is titled 'Term and Major' and contains the following fields:

- \*Admit Type: Graduate Applicant - Domestic
- \*Start Term: A dropdown menu is open, showing options: [1205] Summer 2020 (May-Aug), [1208] Fall 2020 (Aug-Dec), [1211] Spring 2021 (Jan-Apr), and [1215] Summer 2021 (May-Aug).
- \*Degree Level: (empty)

Navigation buttons include '<< PREVIOUS', 'SAVE', and 'NEXT >>'. A link 'What is my admit type?' is also present.

Here you will select your intended major and start term. For example, Master of Science in Psychology, Behavior Analysis, Fall/Spring 20XX (whatever year you are applying for).

# College Name Search

The screenshot shows the 'College Name Search' interface. It includes the following search criteria:

- Country: Cuba
- State/Province: Villa Clara
- City (optional): (empty)
- School (optional): (empty)

A 'Search' button is located below the criteria. To the right of the search fields, there is a text instruction: 'Please search using the drop down Country and State/Province. You may also use the other fields to narrow your search. If you are having difficulties finding your school, remove information to broaden your search.'

The search results are displayed in a table with the following columns: School Name, Country, State, and City. Each row has a 'Select' button to the left of the school name.

	School Name	Country	State	City
Select	Central U Las Villas Marta Ab	CUB	VC	Santa Clara
Select	Felix Varela Pedagogic Inst	CUB	VC	Santa Clara
Select	High Inst of Med Sci Zerafin R	CUB	VC	Santa Clara

At the bottom of the results, there are 'Cancel' and 'Click Here If School Not Found' buttons.

Use the drop-down Country and State/Province. You may also use the other fields to narrow your search. If you are having difficulties finding your school, remove information to broaden your search.

# Educational History

**FIU** University Graduate School  
FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Section 3: Your Background

Educational History

\* Denotes a required field

HOME PAGE APPLICATION CENTER HELP LOGOUT

Application for Admission

- About You
  - Biographical Information ✓
  - Ethnicity ✓
  - Identification Information ✓
  - Contact Information ✓
- Your Intended Major
  - Major and Start Term ✓
  - Additional Questions ✓
- Your Background
  - Educational History** ●
  - Test Scores (optional) ✓
  - Supporting Documents ✓
  - Florida Residency ✓
  - Judicial Questions ✓
- Recommendations
  - Recommendations ✓
- Confirmation & Payment
  - Confirmation & Payment ●

Please list all colleges and universities where you have completed course work. An official transcript must be submitted from each college or university directly to FIU. Failure to list all institutions will result in your application being denied or your admission revoked. Note: Current or past FIU students do not need to submit an official FIU transcript but must include FIU in the list below.

**Educational History** ⓘ

Search for each school using the Find My College button.

College Information

Find My College

Add college below:

\*School Name

\*City

\*Country

State

\*From Date  [H]

\*To Date  [H]

\*Degree

\*Major

Date (or anticipated date) of Graduation  [H]

<< PREVIOUS SAVE NEXT >>

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# Test Information

**FIU** University Graduate School  
FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Section 3: Your Background

Test Scores (optional)

\* Denotes a required field

HOME PAGE APPLICATION CENTER HELP LOGOUT

Application for Admission

- About You
  - Biographical Information ✓
  - Ethnicity ✓
  - Identification Information ✓
  - Contact Information ✓
- Your Intended Major
  - Major and Start Term ✓
  - Additional Questions ✓
- Your Background
  - Educational History ✓
  - Test Scores (optional)** ●
  - Supporting Documents ✓
  - Florida Residency ✓
  - Judicial Questions ✓
- Recommendations
  - Recommendations ✓
- Confirmation & Payment
  - Confirmation & Payment ●

Test Information

**Unofficial Test Scores (optional)** ⓘ

If you have taken any of the tests listed below, please enter your scores. These are considered unofficial and you are still required to provide official scores to the graduate admissions office. Click the "!" icon to the right for more information.

Test Name

Test Component	Score	Test Date
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	05/21/2020 [H]

[Click here to add another Test.](#)

<< PREVIOUS SAVE NEXT >>

If you have taken any of the tests listed below, please enter your scores. These are considered unofficial and you are still required to provide official scores to the graduate admissions office. Cluck the "!" icon to the right for more information.

# Supporting Documents

The screenshot shows the 'Supporting Documents' section of the FIU University Graduate School application. The page header includes the FIU logo and 'University Graduate School FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY'. The section title is 'Section 3: Your Background' with a progress indicator showing 5 steps, with step 3 highlighted. A navigation bar contains 'HOME PAGE', 'APPLICATION CENTER', 'HELP', and 'LOGOUT'. A sidebar on the left lists application sections with checkmarks: 'About You', 'Your Intended Major', 'Your Background', 'Supporting Documents' (highlighted with a red dot), 'Recommendations', and 'Confirmation & Payment'. The main content area contains instructions: 'Please click on the Document Type drop down menu to view any required supporting documents for your application. If "Other" is the only document type listed, then the program does not require additional supporting documents. Academic transcripts/mark sheets uploaded with this application are considered unofficial.' Below this is a 'Supporting Documents' box with a note: 'Attach documents from list below. Note: You can upload and attach supporting documents to your application file at any time, even after your application has been submitted.' A 'Document Type' dropdown menu is open, showing 'Other', 'Resume', and 'Statement'. An 'Attach File' button is next to it. A 'File Name' field and a 'View Attachment' link are also present. At the bottom are 'PREVIOUS', 'SAVE', and 'NEXT' buttons.

Click on the document type drop-down menu to view any required supporting documents for your application. Academic transcripts/mark sheets uploaded with this application are considered unofficial.

You can upload and attach supporting documents to your application file at any time, even after your application has been submitted.

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The screenshot shows the 'List of Recommenders' and 'Recommender Contact Information' form. The 'List of Recommenders' section has a table with columns for 'Email Address', 'Status', and 'Last Update Date/Time'. Below the table are 'Details' and 'Add' buttons. The 'Recommender Contact Information' section has a form with fields for 'First Name', 'Last Name', 'Phone (Main office line)', 'Email Address', 'Title', 'Employer', and 'Relationship to you'. There are radio buttons for 'Yes' and 'No' under the question 'Do you wish to waive your right to examine this letter of recommendation?'. Below this is a text area for a personal note. At the bottom are 'Cancel', 'Save & Send Email', 'PREVIOUS', 'SAVE', and 'NEXT' buttons. Red arrows point to the 'Yes' radio button and the personal note text area.

Your recommenders will receive an email requesting an electronic recommendation for you. Please click on the "!" for more information.



# Once Submitted

YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO UPDATE  
EDUCATIONAL HISTORY, DEMOGRAPHIC  
INFORMATION, CHANGE  
PAYMENT OPTIONS BUT...

YOU MAY STILL LOG BACK INTO THE APPLICATION AND  
ADD SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

YOU MAY ALSO MONITOR RECOMMENDATION  
STATUS

-SEE IF RECOMMENDATION WAS ALREADY SUBMITTED  
-ADD/DELETE RECOMMENDERS  
-SEND REMINDER EMAILS

Once you have submitted the application, you will not be able to update educational history, demographic information, change payment options, BUT...you may still log back into the application and add supporting documents. You may also monitor recommendation status such as seeing if your recommendation was already submitted, add/delete recommenders, and send reminder emails to your recommenders.

## Step 2

### Submit Official University/College Transcripts

This includes university/college official transcript from all institutions previously attended in a sealed institution envelope. If you graduated from FIU, you do not need to request transcripts unless you attended another institution afterwards. Students who have received an education from non-English speaking countries must have their transcripts translated when sent to FIU.

If you need your transcripts evaluated more information is provided here:

<https://admissions.fiu.edu/how-to-apply/submit-transcripts/index.html>

## Step 3

### Submit Application Attestation

Visit our website to download and complete our application attestation. Email the attestation form to the program: [behavior@fiu.edu](mailto:behavior@fiu.edu)

# Admissions

All application materials should be submitted to the Office of Graduate Admissions via the online [Graduate Application](#). Use the [graduate admission checklist](#) and our [MS in Behavior Analysis Application Instructions](#) to get started. Please note that the graduate admission checklist may not reflect our program's deadlines and requirements; compare it with the information on this page.

**\*\*Newly admitted students who wish to transfer credits from previous behavior analysis graduate coursework may submit a transfer credit request prior to starting their first semester in the program. If a student can provide a course content verification form, we will compare it to our coursework. Consideration will be given if the course content that a student wishes to transfer is identical to the courses in the BAMS program and the student earned the minimum grade required for courses in the BAMS program. It is not guaranteed that any will transfer, and students will have to take all the coursework in the program from scratch to be eligible for the BCBA certification exam. \*\***

*This program is in no way associated or related to the FBI behavioral investigations unit. It will not prepare you for a specialized career in the field of forensic psychology or criminal justice.*

**International Students:** Spring admission is for a fully remote-hybrid option. This fully online option is not open to international students in need of a student visa (F-1) or Exchange Visitor visa (J-1). International students should not apply to this option, and instead apply to the Fall admission option.

[ABAI Accreditation Standards Outcomes Assessment Data](#)

**Please note:** Once you have submitted your application online, you should add the email address, [behavior@fiu.edu](mailto:behavior@fiu.edu), to your list of contacts or safe senders. All program communications about your application will come from this email address. If you are a current FIU student or FIU alum, emails will be sent to your FIU email address.

Deadline

+

Requirements

+

Funding

+



## Requirements

Requirements are listed in the order they are valued during the admissions review.

Please note, GPA, previous coursework and experience in behavior analysis, as well as the essay are considered the highest predictors of a good match between applicant and program.

- **GPA:** 3.0 in last 60 credits of upper-division work
  - Coursework in behavior analysis preferred
- **Application Attestation:** Applicants must submit [this](#) signed attestation via email to [behavior@fiu.edu](mailto:behavior@fiu.edu) by the application deadline.
- **Statement of Intent:** Required; a brief essay stating the reasons for interest in the program and career goals. Some questions to consider while writing this essay: How does the program match your future goals? Why is this program the right fit for you? How do you plan to use your education and training from this program in your professional life? During admission review special attention is given to the content, organization, and structure of the essay. Essay should not exceed three typewritten double-spaced pages.
- **CV or resume:** Required; include with previous experience, education, honors, awards, interests, community service and achievements and highlighting relevant experience and/or coursework in behavior analysis.
- **Letters of Recommendation:** Required; 3 letters evaluating the applicant's potential for graduate work. The University Graduate School offers a [recommendation form](#), though this is not required.
- **Additional Requirements:**
  - Applicants who earned a degree at a foreign institution will likely require a course-by-course evaluation of their transcripts. For more information on this process please visit the international admissions website by clicking [here](#).
  - International students whose native language is not English must take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or the International English Language Testing System (IELTS)
    - Minimum TOEFL score: 550 (paper) or 80 (internet)
    - Minimum IELTS score: 6.5
    - FIU's institutional code is 5206

Use our [MS in Behavior Analysis Application Process](#) as a guide to complete your application. Requirements are minimums. For additional requirements and information, consult the [Graduate Catalog](#), or contact us at [behavior@fiu.edu](mailto:behavior@fiu.edu).

\*\*\*GRE exam scores are no longer required starting Fall 2023\*\*\*

## Step 4

**Submit/Attach supporting materials** to your application or email [gradadm@fiu.edu](mailto:gradadm@fiu.edu) and copy [behavior@fiu.edu](mailto:behavior@fiu.edu) if you are unable to attach these documents (please note, emailing these documents will delay the processing, therefore, uploading them directly to the application is the most efficient way to submit these documents).

- **Statement of Intent:** Brief essay stating the reasons for interest in the program and career goals. Should not exceed three type-written double-spaced pages
- **Resume/CV:** highlighting relevant experience and/or coursework in behavior analysis
- **Three letters of recommendation:** from persons who can evaluate your professional and academic performance and potential for success in the master's program. Recommendations from professors are preferred. Workplace recommendations should be from locations where the work is behavior analytic in nature.

## Step 5

### Submit Residency Documents

Residency status is used primarily to determine whether students pay in-state or out-of-state tuition. Whether you are a Florida resident, U.S. resident or international student, you are required to submit proof of residency. Failing to provide residency documentation will delay your enrollment.

More information on declaring residency here:

<https://onestop.fiu.edu/student-records-myfiu/personal-records/declare-residency/>

## Step 6

**Only if you are an international student**, you will also need to submit the following:

- Official Translations of University/College transcripts (see step 2 above)
- English Proficiency
  - TOEFL scores (550 paper-based, 80 internet-based)
  - IELTS scores (6.5)
- Visa Documents (to have an I-20 issued)
  - Copy of passport
  - Declaration and Certification of Finances (DCF):

<https://internationaladmissions.fiu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/IA-DCF-4.16.2020.pdf>

- Bank Letter/Statement (or as completed on the DCF)
- Sponsor Letter, if the funds are not held in your name (or as completed on the DCF)

For more information about receiving your I-20 or student visa process please visit:

<https://internationaladmissions.fiu.edu/graduate/>

**APPLICATION DEADLINE**  
**ADMISSIONS DECISIONS**

## Step 7

### Check Application Status

When you finish your application, you will be assigned a Panther ID within 3-5 work days. This will give you access to your MyFIU account where you can check your application status.

Please allow 2-3 business days to view your application status. Remember your login and check the dashboard for updates.

Be sure to check your email junk/spam folders and/or indicate FIU is a trusted source to ensure you receive all important email messages.

Check your status here:

[https://myportal.fiu.edu/psp/ihub/EMPLOYEE/CAMP/c/SA\\_LEARNER\\_SERVICES.SS\\_ADM\\_APP\\_S TATUS.GBL](https://myportal.fiu.edu/psp/ihub/EMPLOYEE/CAMP/c/SA_LEARNER_SERVICES.SS_ADM_APP_S TATUS.GBL)

## **Application deadline**

All documents listed in Steps above need to be submitted by June 1 for the Fall of the same year admission term or October 1 for the following Spring admission term.

## **Admissions Decisions**

The admissions committee will review applications upon receipt of materials. Applicants will be notified via email of an admissions decision within 6-8 weeks of the application deadline.