

For Office Use Only

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION
GRADUATE SCHOOL
UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS AMHERST

ANTICIPATED entrance:
Summer Fall Spring
Year 20__

I. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Name Last (Family) First Middle List any other name(s) which may appear on transcripts being submitted

Permanent address No. and Street

City State/Country Zip Code Tel. No. (include Area Code)

Mailing address (until mm / dd / yy) No. and Street

City State/Country Zip Code Tel No. (include Area Code)

E-Mail Address (if you have one): Valid Until:

U.S. Social Security Number: - - Date of Birth: month day year

Male Female
United States citizen U.S. permanent resident F Visa J Visa Visa not yet obtained Other
If not U.S. Citizen: Country of Citizenship: City of Birth:

II. PROGRAM AND DEGREE (Use only Programs and Degrees from Graduate Programs and Degrees Offered)

PROGRAM:

(Sub-field or special interest):

DEGREE (specify): Doctoral Master's (specify which master's degree, where applicable:)
Five College Doctoral Master's, then Doctoral (specify which master's degree:)

OTHER: Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study (C.A.G.S.), in Education only
Video Instruction Program, in Engineering and Computer Science only; specify which program above

Have you ever previously made an application (degree or non-degree) to this Graduate School? Yes No if so, when

Have you ever previously registered for a course through this Graduate School? Yes No if so, when

III. FINANCIAL AID

Want to be considered for: Fellowship Assistantship (No separate application required)

Applicants for need-based financial aid should refer to the FINANCIAL AID section of this application.

IV. EDUCATION AND STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES

Verbal Quant. Analyt. Subject

Test scores if known or scheduled test date: GRE* GMAT*

Official Score report required from Educational Testing Service TOEFL
(Undergraduate) (Graduate) (Undergraduate) (Graduate)

Cumulative Grade Point Average (on A = 4.0) Average in major field

List in chronological order all colleges and universities attended. Two official transcripts must be sent to the Graduate School Admissions Office from each institution.

Table with 4 columns: All Institutions Attended, Dates of Attendance (From, To), Major/Field, Degree Granted or Expected and Date. Rows for Undergraduate and Graduate.

V. REFERENCES

Names of at least two persons acquainted with your academic and/or professional experience. Give one of the attached recommendation forms to each, to be returned directly to the Graduate Admissions Office.

Name and Title

Address

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

VI. EXPERIENCE

List any significant professional or career related experiences:

Employer

Employer's Address

Position

Approximate Dates

_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

List significant academic honors or awards and honor society memberships:

Describe any teaching or tutoring experience: _____

VII. PERSONAL STATEMENT

Prepare a brief but carefully written statement regarding: 1) reasons you want to do graduate work in this field, 2) your specific interests and experiences in this field, 3) any special skills or experiences that may relate to an assistantship, and 4) your career plans. If you use a separate page for this statement, be sure to list your name, birth date, and desired program at the top of the page.

Return to: Graduate Admissions Office
 530 Goodell Building
 University of Massachusetts
 140 Hicks Way
 Amherst, MA 01003-9333

RECOMMENDATION FORM

Applicant: Fill in the top of this form, then give to referee. Your name should be listed here as it appears on your application form. If your referee chooses to use another type of recommendation form, attach this page as a cover page.

Date _____

Name of Applicant _____ Degree sought _____
Last First Middle

Proposed Graduate Program _____ Sub-field _____

Deadline for completion of application _____ Social Security Number _____ - _____ - _____

Under the provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, I waive my right of access to this letter of recommendation; the University of Massachusetts may, therefore, consider it confidential.

Signature of Applicant (Optional)

Please comment on the applicant's ability to carry on advanced graduate study and research, his/her general character, stability, and preparation for a successful career in the chosen field. Compare applicant to others you have known in this field. Your prompt reply (see date above) will be sincerely appreciated.

I would rank this student in the top _____ % of approximately _____ students I have taught in _____ years.

	Upper 1 or 2%	Upper 10% but not upper 1 or 2%	Upper 25% but not upper 10%	Upper half but not upper 25%	Lower half	No Basis for Judgement
Breadth of General Knowledge						
Ability in Oral Expression						
Ability in Written Expression						
Perseverance						
Emotional Maturity						
Imagination and Probable Creativity						
Potential as a Teacher						

Signature _____

Name (print) _____ Date _____

Institution _____ Position _____

Address _____ Zip _____

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University of Massachusetts Amherst Residency Statement

This form must be signed by all applicants.

Please read the rules and regulations for classification as a Massachusetts student on the reverse side.

Concealment of facts or untruthful statements may cause you to be subject to denial of admission and/or dismissal from the institution.

Part I — All Applicants

Name _____
AS IT APPEARS ON APPLICATION SOCIAL SECURITY NO.

Permanent Address _____ Since _____
(no P.O. Boxes) NO./STREET CITY STATE ZIP MO./DAY/YEAR

Parent's Permanent Address _____ Since _____
NO./STREET CITY STATE ZIP MO./DAY/YEAR

If you are a Permanent Resident or Refugee claiming Massachusetts residency, please provide a copy of your Alien Registration Card (Green Card) or other documents which verify your immigration status. You will not be considered for in-state tuition and fee status without these documents.

Part II — All New England residents (including Massachusetts residents) must complete the applicable section (A or B) below.

A — If applicable — This section to be completed by applicant.

I, _____, certify that I am married 18 years of age or older, and that I have read the Rules and Regulations Governing the Residency Status of Students for Tuition Purposes at the University of Massachusetts and that pursuant to said Rules and Regulations, I am a resident of the Commonwealth or State of _____.

I have continuously resided in the Commonwealth or State of _____ Since _____
MO./DAY/YEAR

Signed under the penalties of perjury:

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

B — If applicable — This section to be completed by spouse of applicant.

I, _____, certify that I am the spouse of _____, _____
APPLICANT'S NAME
and that I have read the Rules and Regulations Governing the Residency Status of Students for Tuition Purposes at the University of Massachusetts and that pursuant to said Rules and Regulations, I am a resident of the Commonwealth or State of _____.

I have continuously resided in the Commonwealth or State of _____ Since _____
MO./DAY/YEAR

Signed under the penalties of perjury:

Spouse's Signature _____ Date _____

Part III — Non-New England Residents only — (Part I must also be completed.)

I do not qualify for classification as a Massachusetts resident as defined in the Rules and Regulations Governing the Residency Status of Students for Tuition Purposes at the University of Massachusetts.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

TUITION CLASSIFICATION

(Rules and Regulations Governing the Residency Status of Students for Tuition Purposes)

These rules and regulations, approved in 1988 by the University's Board of Trustees, and current as of publication, apply to the classification of students at the University of Massachusetts as Massachusetts or non-Massachusetts students for tuition and fee purposes.

Part I. Definitions

1.1 "Academic period" shall mean a term or semester in an academic year or a summer session, as prescribed by the Board of Trustees or under their authority.

1.2 "Continuous attendance" shall mean enrollment at the university for the normal academic year in each calendar year, or the appropriate portion or portions of such academic year as prescribed by the Board of Trustees or under their authority.

1.3 "Emancipated person," for the purposes of residency classification for tuition, shall mean a person who has attained the age of 18 years and is financially independent of his or her parents, or if under 18 years of age, (a) whose parents have entirely surrendered the right to the care, custody, and earnings of such person and who no longer are under any legal obligation to support or maintain such person; or (b) a person who is legally married; or (c) a person who has no parent. If none of the aforesaid definitions apply, said person shall be deemed an "unemancipated person."

1.4 "Parent" shall mean

- a) the person's father and mother, jointly;
- b) if the person's father is deceased, the person's mother; if the person's mother is deceased, the person's father;
- c) if a legal guardian has been appointed by a court having jurisdiction, the legal guardian;
- d) if neither the father nor mother is living and no legal guardian has been appointed, the person who then stands *in loco parentis* to the person;
- e) if the father and mother are divorced, separated or unmarried, the parent who has been awarded legal custody of the person; or if legal custody has not been awarded, the parent with whom the person lives. With respect to any adopted student, the word "adoptive" should be inserted before the words "father" and "mother" wherever used.

1.5 "Reside," "residency" or "resident" shall mean "domicile," i.e., a person's true, fixed and permanent home or place of habitation, where he or she intends to remain permanently.

Part II. Classification

2.1 For the purpose of assessing tuition and fees, each student shall be classified as a "Massachusetts resident" or a "non-Massachusetts resident." A person shall be classified as a Massachusetts resident if he or she (or the parent of an unemancipated student) shall have resided in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for purposes other than attending an educational institution for twelve months immediately preceding the student's entry or reentry as a student.

Physical presence for this entire twelve-month period need not be required as long as the conduct of an individual, taken in total, manifests an intention to make Massachusetts his or her permanent dwelling place.

Part III. Determination of Residency

3.1 Proof of Residency.

- a) Each case will be decided on the basis of all facts submitted with qualitative rather than quantitative emphasis. A number of factors is required for residency to determine the intention of the person to maintain permanent residence in Massachusetts. No single index is decisive. The burden of proof rests on the student seeking classification as a Massachusetts resident.
- b) The following shall be primary indicia of residency:
 - 1) For unemancipated persons, the residency of parents, having custody, within Massachusetts;
 - 2) Certified copies of federal and state income tax returns;
 - 3) Permanent employment in a position not normally filled by a student;
 - 4) Reliance on Massachusetts sources for financial support;
 - 5) Former residency in Massachusetts and maintenance of significant connections there while absent.
- c) The following shall be secondary indicia of residency, to be considered of less weight than the indicia listed above in subsection b):
 - 1) Continuous physical presence in Massachusetts during periods when not an enrolled student;
 - 2) Military home of record;
 - 3) All other material of whatever kind or source which may have a bearing on determining residency.

3.2 Proof of Emancipation

A student asserting that he or she is an emancipated person shall furnish evidence to support such assertion. Such evidence may include:

- a) Birth certificate or any other legal document that shows place and date of birth;
- b) Legal guardianship papers—court appointment and termination must be submitted;
- c) Statements of the person, his or her parent(s), guardian(s), or others certifying no financial support;
- d) Certified copies of federal and state income tax returns filed by the person and his or her parent(s);
- e) Where one of the foregoing can be provided, an affidavit of the emancipated person in explanation thereof and stating fully the grounds supporting the claim of emancipation.

3.3 Presumptions, etc.

- a) **Residency is not acquired by mere physical presence in Massachusetts while the person is enrolled in an institution of higher education.** (See Section 2.1)
- b) A person having his or her residency elsewhere than in Massachusetts shall not be eligible for classification as a Massachusetts resident for tuition purposes, except as herein provided.
 - 1) Any person who is registered at the University as a Massachusetts resident shall be eligible for continued classification as a Massachusetts resident for tuition purposes (until attainment of the degree for which he or she is enrolled) during continuous attendance at the institution.
 - 2) The spouse of any person who is classified or is eligible for classification as a "Massachusetts resident" is likewise eligible for classification as a "Massachusetts resident." This provision will not apply in the case of a spouse in the United States on a nonimmigrant visa.
 - 3) A person who is an immigrant/permanent resident of the United States (or has applied for such status) is eligible to be considered for Massachusetts residency for tuition purposes provided that he/she meets the same requirements for establishing residency in Massachusetts as are required of a United States citizen. Non-citizens who are in (or who have applied for) refugee/asylum status are likewise eligible to be considered for Massachusetts residency for tuition purposes provided that he/she meets the same requirements for establishing residency in Massachusetts as are required of a United States citizen. All non-citizens must provide appropriate documentation to verify their status with the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service.
 - 4) Those students whose higher educational pursuits are funded by the Department of Welfare, the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Department, or any of the other Commonwealth of Massachusetts public assistance programs.
- c) A person does not gain or lose in-state status solely by reason of his or her presence in any state or country while a member of the Armed Forces of the United States.
- d) For the purposes of this policy the following persons shall be presumed to be Massachusetts residents:
 - 1) A member of the Armed Forces of the United States who is stationed in Massachusetts on active duty pursuant to military orders, his or her spouse and dependent students.
 - 2) Full time faculty, professional staff, and classified staff employees of the University of Massachusetts system and their spouses and dependent students.

Part IV. Appeals

Any student or applicant who is unwilling to accept the initial ruling relative to his or her residency classification, or who wishes to seek reclassification, may file a "Residency Reclassification Form."

Any student or applicant who is unwilling to accept the ruling related to his or her residency classification may submit an appeal through the appeal process established by the campus at which that student or applicant seeks reclassification. The decision on the appeal is final and may not be appealed further.

In any case where the Admission Office is unable to make an initial determination based on the evidence submitted, the applicant may be required to submit a "Residency Reclassification Form" to the admissions office for their review before being finally classified as a resident or a nonresident.

Part V. Penalties

Misrepresentation in or omission from any evidence submitted with respect to any fact, which if correctly or completely stated would be grounds to deny classification as a Massachusetts resident, shall be cause for exclusion or expulsion from or other disciplinary action by the University.

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Name as it appears on application: _____
Last First Middle Initial

ETHNIC INFORMATION

In cooperation with the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination in implementing our Affirmative Action Program, the following *optional* information is requested only of *U.S. citizens and permanent residents*. The information in this section will be used for reporting and programmatic purposes only.

Please check applicable box. If multiracial, please check the group with which you most closely identify.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaskan Native
Person having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintains cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition. | <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino
Person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American culture or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race. Specify: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> African American, not of Hispanic Origin
Person having origins in any of the Black racial groups in Africa. | <input type="checkbox"/> White, not of Hispanic/Latino Origin
Person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa, or the Middle East. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian or Pacific Islander
Person having origins in the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian sub-continent or the Pacific Islands. This area includes, for example, China, Japan, Korea, the Philippine Islands, Samoa, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Sikkim, and Bhutan. | <input type="checkbox"/> Cape Verdean
Person having origins in the Cape Verde Islands off the coast of West Africa. |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> International
Person not having U.S. citizenship nor permanent residency. |

LEARNING DISABLED/PHYSICALLY DISABLED INFORMATION

Learning Disabled

Massachusetts applicants as defined on the Residency Statement who meet the conditions described in Chapter 766 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts are not required to submit scores from either the GRE or GMAT. Learning disabled applicants must include their most recent diagnostic data and any individualized assessment reports.

Physically Disabled (Section 504)

The policy of the University of Massachusetts Amherst regarding the admission and access to programs prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability. Physically disabled applicants are invited to contact Disability Services, 231 Whitmore Administration Building, (413) 545-0892, for information about available support services.

RECRUITMENT INFORMATION

Were/Are you a McNair scholar as an undergraduate student? Yes No

How did you find out about graduate study here? (If more than one, please *rank* in order of importance, i.e., 1=most important; 2=next most important source; etc. You need not rank all.)

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|------------------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| _____ Faculty | _____ College counselor | _____ Other students/friends/relatives |
| _____ Alumni | _____ Internet | _____ UMass Recruiter |
| _____ Brochures, posters | _____ Catalogues | _____ Commercial guides (Barron's, Peterson's, etc.) |
| _____ Other (please explain) _____ | | |