

Messiah College: Master of Arts in Higher Education

Admissions Requirements/Checklist

Requirement	Date Submitted/ Requested
Bachelor's or master's degree from an institution that is regionally accredited by one of the following: Middle States, New England, North Central, Northwest, Western and Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Students with a degree from an institution outside of the United States should go the international students page for further information.	
Completed application	
\$30 application fee (waived for Messiah College graduates).	
Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0	
Official transcripts indicating the degree earned. (Graduate programs will secure Messiah College transcripts for all Messiah College graduates who sign the release included in the application. Applicants are responsible for securing non-Messiah transcripts.) Other official transcripts are required if the student intends to transfer courses to meet degree requirements or upon the request of the program director.	
Personal Statement of Purpose: Your 300-500 word statement should describe your preparations for graduate work, your reasons for applying for this particular graduate program at Messiah College and how this graduate program will help you meet your professional and educational goals.	
Two recommendations (addressing your professional experience and/or academic performance , excluding relatives). Applicants can invite references to complete an online recommendation form here .	
Resumé or Curriculum Vita	
Graduate Program in Higher Education Program Essay Question: In a brief essay of approximately 500 words, envision and briefly describe one way that higher education should improve for the future. Describe the characteristics required of higher education leaders to effectively bring about the change you propose. Identify one or more significant experiences and/or personal qualities that have influenced your own ability to be an effective educational leader.	

All Materials should be submitted to

GradPrograms@messiah.edu

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