Graduate Studies

To Be Admitted

We accept applications for admission on a rolling basis throughout the year, but deadlines apply. Consult the College of Graduate Studies Apply Online link at the bottom of the previous web page for relevant deadlines.

You may begin your graduate studies at any time during the year: Fall, Spring or Summer. If you wish to be considered for a Graduate Assistantship, however, you must complete your application—including the audition or the submission of special materials—by the following deadlines.

1. To begin in January (Spring Semester), the deadline is the previous November 1.
2. To begin in August (Fall Semester), the deadline is the previous March 1.

To be admitted, you must do the following:
1. Complete an Application for Admission and submit it to the College of Graduate Studies. You may do this online (see Apply Online link on previous web page) for a non-refundable fee of $35.
2. Have the following sent to College of Graduate Studies, Box 42, MTSU, Murfreesboro, TN 37132:
   (a) Your undergraduate transcript showing that you have received or are about to receive an undergraduate degree in Music
   (b) Three letters of recommendation (see Reference Forms link on previous page)
3. Depending upon the specialization you are interested in, you must
   (a) Do an audition OR submit an audition audio or video-recording
   (b) Submit scores and recordings of your compositions
   (c) Submit written samples of your scholarship
   (d) Submit a 30-minute video-recording demonstrating your teaching ability

**ADVISORY:** To ensure that your application is processed expeditiously, you should contact the Graduate Coordinator, Dr. Paul Osterfield, at Paul.Osterfield@mtsu.edu early in the process.