Elementary and Secondary Education, M.S. and 6th Year Admissions Information and Checklist

Admission Requirements

Program Prerequisites
- Bachelor’s degree, or its equivalent, from a regionally accredited university or recognized international institution; a master’s degree from a regionally accredited university is required for the 6th year program
- Undergraduate cumulative target grade point average of B (3.0) or higher. Applicants whose cumulative GPA falls between B- (2.67) and B (3.0) will be considered provisionally.

Required Materials
- University of Bridgeport graduate application
  - Apply online at www.bridgeport.edu/apply.
- $50 application fee (non-refundable)
  - Checks or money orders should be made payable to the University of Bridgeport.
- Official Praxis® Core Academic Skills for Educators (5751) score report*
  - Register for the Praxis® Core at www.ets.org.
  - Applicants must pass at least two out of the three subtests. Passing scores for each subtest are as follows: Reading – 156, Writing – 162, and Math – 150.
  - *This requirement is waived for applicants whose undergraduate cumulative GPA is 3.2 or higher.
- Official transcripts from every postsecondary school attended
  - In order to be considered official, electronic transcripts must be sent directly from the issuing school and hard copies must be in an original sealed envelope.
  - International transcripts must include a course-by-course evaluation of all academic work from an accredited academic evaluating service.
- Two letters of recommendation
  - Letters need to come from employers, professors or professional associates, and must testify to your suitability as a prospective teacher. Letters can be submitted electronically, or via postal mail on letterhead with an ink signature.
- Personal statement
  - In 350 words or more, detail the reasons you are interested in enrolling in the certification program of your choice, highlight relevant background experiences and address your overall professional goals in the teaching profession. Please discuss any activities, general or professional, that have influenced your decision to enter the teaching profession. Please remember to include your name on this statement.
- Certification application
  - Found on our website at www.bridgeport.edu/gradreqs under the School of Education header.
- Resume

Optional Materials
- Internship Application
  - Found on our website at www.bridgeport.edu/gradreqs under the School of Education header.

Deadlines
Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis, but must be completed by the final deadlines as follows:
- June 15 for the fall semester
- November 15 for the spring semester

Contact Information
Please send admissions materials to:
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