Education Program Application



1. How do I find the School of Ed application?

There are many ways you can find our School of Ed application online. The easiest way to remember it is to go to www.mga.edu and search "teacher ed" in the search bar on the top, righthand corner. Click on the first link "The Department of Teacher Ed and Social Work" which will take you to our department's homepage. On the grey box on the right side, click "apply now." (This is in between GACE and alumni update.) This will take you to our online application.

2. How do I know which cohort I should apply to?

The School of Education has three cohort options available. The fall cohort is for students who want to take face-to-face classes during the morning and early afternoon hours at either the Macon or Cochran campus. The summer evening track is mostly online over the summer, and in fall and spring semesters students meet one or two evenings a week on the Macon campus. The online/weekend cohort is only an option for students who are currently working in the school system as a paraprofessional. These classes are fully online with the exception of meeting at the Macon campus one weekend a month (Friday evening and Saturday.) Each of these cohorts require students to be available during the day to complete student teaching hours. If you are not sure what cohort works best for you, please contact your academic advisor.

3. I've already sent my transcripts and test scores to MGA. Do I need to send them again to the School of Ed?

No, if MGA's Office of Admissions has already received your official transcripts and test scores (such as ACT and SAT) then you do not need to send another copy to the School of Ed. Please check with your academic advisor to make sure your transcripts and test scores have been received. *Note: if you are a transfer student coming from another USG institution, you may not have been required to send MGA your official test scores to be accepted into the university. If this is the case, and your scores are high enough to exempt you from the GACE Program Admissions Assessment, you *will* need to send official test scores to our Office of Admissions. An unofficial score (such as on a high school or college transcript) will not suffice.

4. Who can fill out my letter or recommendation?

At least two letters must come from MGA professors or professors from a previous institution. If you have not attending a school in more than 2 years, these recommendations may come from any professional reference.

5. Can I submit my application if I don't have my GACE scores in yet?

It is preferred that you have completed the GACE Ethics and GACE Program Admissions Assessment (if needed) before you submit your application. However, if you have not, please still submit your application packet, and contact your advisor immediately to discuss GACE resources and registration.

6. How and when will I know if I've been accepted into the education program?

Our Admissions and Certification Specialist, Mrs. Christine Caesar, will send your admissions decision to your official MGA email. Your email will indicate if you have been accepted, denied, or if additional documents is required. Typically, you will receive your notice 1-2 months after the application final deadline.

7. Can I still submit an application after 3/15?

Students who turn in their application after the final deadline may or may not be considered for the program depending on cohort availability. It is strongly recommended that you turn in your application by priority deadline.

8. Can I still submit my application if I'm not core complete?

Yes, most students are still finishing up their core classes when they apply to the education program. On the student information sheet, you will indicate what classes you are taking over the next couple of semesters to finish your core. Please note that you will have to pass all core classes before you can begin the education program.