

COLUMBIA
UNIVERSITY 
SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

APPLICATION FORM FOR ADMISSION TO THE
DOCTORAL PROGRAM

Application Date _____

Name (Mr., Ms.) _____
(Last/Family Name) (First/Given Name) (M.I.)

Previous Name (*if applicable*) _____
(Last/Family Name) (First/Given Name) (M.I.)

Mailing Address:

(Number, Street, and Apt. No.)

(City) (State) (Zip) (Country)

Permanent Mailing Address (*if different*):

(Number, Street, and Apt. No.)

(City) (State) (Zip) (Country)

Email Address

Current Email: _____

Telephone Numbers (include +country code)

Daytime: _____

Evening: _____

Mobile: _____

Sex: Male Female Date of Birth: __/__/____ Native Language: _____
(MM/DD/YYYY)

Check the area in which you plan to concentrate:

- Advanced Practice (*Two years post-MSW practice experience strongly encouraged*)
- Social Policy & Policy Analysis
- Social Policy & Administration

Please list the Term and Year: _____ (e.g. Fall 2015)

Citizenship Information

Country of Citizenship: _____

Residency Status: U.S. Permanent Resident

Social Security: ___ ___ - ___ - ___ ___ ___ U.S. Citizens and Permanent Residents only – SSN is requested for matching data from the Free Application to your application record should you be admitted and seek financial assistance.

Race/Ethnicity:

The information requested below is optional. Please respond to questions 1 and 2. The questions are asked because Columbia is subject to certain governmental recordkeeping requirements.

Question 1. Ethnicity

Are you Hispanic or Latino?

Yes

No

Question 2. Race

What is your race? (*Select one or more of the following five categories*)

American Indian or Alaska Native

Asian

Black or African American

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

White

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Application Information:

Have any members of your family attended Columbia University? Yes No
If yes, please state below who attended, which school, their degree and your relationship to them.

Where did you hear about the CSSW doctoral program?

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Faculty/Instructor | <input type="checkbox"/> Recruitment Fair |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Colleague | <input type="checkbox"/> Brochure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Word-of-Mouth | <input type="checkbox"/> Web Site |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Magazine/Newspaper Advertisement:
_____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Conference: _____
(please specify) |
| (please specify) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
(please specify) |

Have you applied for admission to any other doctoral program? Yes No

If so, where?

Do you plan to apply for university housing? Yes No

Would you like to be considered for financial aid? Yes No

Have you corresponded or conferred about your application with any faculty member or officer of this School or this University? Yes No

If so, with whom?

Are you interested in being considered for the HIV, Substance Use, and Criminal Justice Research Training Program (T32) Fellowship? Yes No

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Name of Institution	Date of Entrance	Date of Leaving	Degree or Diploma	G.P.A.
College or University (Undergraduate)				
Graduate				
Professional School				

REFERENCES

List three persons from whom you have requested references. (At least two should be from an academic source.)

Name and Address (in full)

Relationship

(Professional Work, Academic)

1. _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

2. _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

3. _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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PERSONAL STATEMENT FOR ADMISSION TO THE DOCTORAL PROGRAM

Instructions:

Address the following questions in a single 3-5 page essay. Please use font that is no smaller than 10 point.

1. Describe your reasons for pursuing a doctoral education. What are your major academic areas of interest?
2. How do your professional experience and academic background relate to your plans for study? What are your career goals?
3. What facets of the Columbia program interest you the most? Explain why you feel this program would be a good match for you.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Attach a copy of your curriculum vitae, listing and describing all positions you have held, including whether the work was paid or volunteer. See the accompanying sheet for guidelines and proper format of the curriculum vitae.

WRITING SAMPLE (Optional)

Instructions:

A writing sample, preferably pertaining to research in social work or one of the other social sciences, is considered optional. All samples should be limited to no more than 25 pages, excluding footnotes or bibliography, etc.

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GRE and TOEFL Exams

The Graduate Record Examination (General Test) is required of all applicants to the Doctoral Program. Applicants should register for the earliest test date possible, preferably before December 1. You can obtain GRE information online at <http://www.ets.org/gre>.

Please indicate Institutional Code 2158 and Department Code 5001 on any forms indicating where your scores should be sent. Scores should be sent to the Columbia University School of Social Work, not the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences.

The TOEFL is required for all international students whose native language is not English. Students who have earned their Masters degree in an English speaking country/medium are not required to take the TOEFL.

The minimum eligible TOEFL score for applicants is 100 out of 120 on the TOEFL iBT. Please mail official scores as well.

GRE SCORES

Date Taken: _____ Verbal: Quantitative: Analytical:

TOEFL SCORES

Date Taken: _____ Total:

Section 1: Section 2: Section 3: Section 4:

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I certify that the information given in this application is complete and accurate, and I understand that to make false or fraudulent statements on this application may result in denial of admission, disciplinary action, and invalidation of credits or degrees earned. If admitted, I hereby agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the University. Should any information I have given change prior to my entry to the University, I shall immediately notify the Doctoral Program Admissions Office. I understand that the check, money order or credit card payment I submit with this application covers part of the cost of handling the application and is therefore not refundable.

_____ Date: _____
(Signature of Applicant)

Please enclose a check or money order for \$225 made payable to *The Trustees of Columbia University* with this form.
Please do not send a foreign money order or cash. If applying online, you will be required to make a \$65 payment .