

Application Instructions

Applications should be mailed to: Office of Admissions
PGSP – STANFORD Psy.D. CONSORTIUM
1791 Arastradero Road
Palo Alto, CA 94304

Application Deadline

Postmark deadline for submission of application is **January 4, 2010**. Applications received after this date will be reviewed if there is space available in the incoming class. Finalists will be extended invitations to interview at both PGSP and Stanford University from February 1 to March 15, 2010. Offers of admission will be made by phone on April 1, or shortly thereafter.

Application Fee

The Application fee is \$50 and can be paid by nonrefundable check or money order payable to Pacific Graduate School of Psychology.

Resume/Curriculum Vitae

Please include a resume or C.V. that lists all employment, training, and any volunteer work relevant to the field of psychology as well as other full-time employment.

GRE Scores

The **General** Graduate Record Examination is required. The **Subject** GRE Exam is highly valued, however is not required. The PGSP institutional code for receipt of GRE scores is 4638.

Official Transcripts

Transcripts from undergraduate and graduate institutions attended, even if a degree was not awarded, must be sent, directly from the institution.

Statement of Purpose

Please include a written statement that includes the following:

- a brief autobiographical sketch, including what led to your interest in the practice of clinical psychology;
- details of your goals and purpose in applying to the PGSP-Stanford Consortium;
- a discussion of your future career goals as a clinical psychologist that answers the questions: why do I want to become a clinical psychologist and how will the PGSP-STANFORD CONSORTIUM help me reach these goals?;
- your strengths and accomplishments thus far that have prepared you for graduate psychology training; and
- what qualities you possess that you think will be important assets as a practicing clinical psychologist.

Please type, double space, maximum 3-4 pages.

Letters of Recommendation

Please provide 3 letters of recommendation from individuals who are familiar with your ability and/or potential for rigorous graduate study and clinical work. Whenever possible, they should be faculty members in psychology or practicing professionals in psychology or other mental health discipline. Please use the Graduate Admission Recommendation forms provided in addition to a personal letter. The enclosed waiver forms are necessary for processing your application and must be returned with each letter of recommendation. These letters should be included with your application packet.

Prerequisites

Coursework: In order to ensure a smooth transition into graduate study, 18 semester hrs (27 quarter hrs) of Psychology coursework are required including courses in: General Psychology, Abnormal Psychology, Statistics, Biopsychology, and Developmental Psychology. This requirement can be waived if a student obtains a score of 650 or higher on the Psych GRE.

Clinical Experience: Although not required, strong preference is given to applicants with clinical experience.

Candidate Selection

The Consortium aims to attract and educate students who are distinguished by their academic achievement, capacity for critical thinking, interpersonal skills, motivation to become exceptional clinicians, and commitment to service.

Preference is given to applicants who have demonstrated an interest in the field of psychology through relevant coursework and/or professional experiences, an overall undergraduate grade-point average of at least a 3.3, a graduate grade-point average of at least 3.5 (if applicable), an overall GRE score greater than 1150, and strong interpersonal skills as demonstrated in the admissions interview.

Average scores for our newest incoming students (Class of 2014) are 3.60 GPA; 1270 GRE.

Although the program uses these criteria to inform the student selection process, it also assumes that recruitment of a student body that is both highly qualified and diverse are both very important to the educational process. Thus, factors such as the quality of early educational environment, socioeconomic status, culture, race, ethnicity, and life or work experiences are also considered.

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Educational Background

List all colleges attended since high school and all degrees conferred. If you do not have a degree, indicate the total number of units completed at each college. If you are currently working toward a degree, please indicate the degree you expect to earn, and the expected date, in parentheses.

INSTITUTION	STATE OR COUNTRY	DATES ATTENDED	MAJOR	DEGREE (OR UNITS)	DATE DEGREE RECEIVED

Graduate Record Examination

All applicants must take the general Graduate Record Examination (GRE) and have official score report sent to the PGSP – Stanford Consortium. The Consortium institution code is “4638”.

I have taken the GRE on _____.
date

I have not taken the GRE but will take the GRE on _____.
date

Recommendations

Please list below the names and addresses of the three persons from whom you have requested a recommendation. These references should be able to speak to your ability and/or potential for both graduate study and clinical work. Whenever possible they should be psychology faculty members of practicing professionals in psychology.

Name	Title	Address / City / State / Zip

I understand that official transcripts of credit earned at other institutions and other documents that have been presented for admission or evaluation become the property of the PGSP – STANFORD Psy.D. CONSORTIUM and are not returned to the applicant.

I certify that the information recorded in this application, the transcripts provided, and all other application materials submitted are correct and complete. By submitting this application, I agree to abide by and be subject to the rules and regulations of the PGSP – STANFORD Psy.D. CONSORTIUM.

Applicant Signature

Date