

2016-2017 Admission Requirements

Master of Arts in Mathematics; Master of Science in Mathematics; Doctor of Philosophy in Mathematics

Following are the simple steps to apply for graduate study in Mathematics at the University of Denver. If you have any questions about the process, please contact the [Office of Graduate Studies](#).

Apply Online / Application Deadlines

Applications for graduate study at the University of Denver must be submitted online. [Apply online](#).

All online materials must be received, and all supplemental materials including transcripts must be on file in the [Office of Graduate Studies](#), by the program's stated deadline: February 15, for students interested in competing for graduate teaching assistantships (GTAs) or financial awards for the fall quarter. After the February 15 priority deadline, applications to Mathematics may be considered on a rolling basis and funding opportunities may be limited. Applications are considered for fall, winter or spring quarters.

A \$65 non-refundable application fee is required for an application to be processed.

Application fee waivers are available for McNair Scholars.

Course and Degree Prerequisites and Requirements

Applicants must earn and submit proof of earning the equivalent of a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution prior to beginning graduate coursework at DU. Degree candidates must have a BS or BA in mathematics or a related field.

Transcripts

Applicants are required to submit an official transcript from each post-secondary institution they have attended, or are presently attending, where two quarter hours (or one semester hour) or more were completed including study abroad and college coursework completed in high school.

The applicant is responsible for obtaining all transcripts. Applicants who have earned a degree outside the U.S. must submit transcripts accompanied by certified English translations, if not normally issued in English. DU students and alumni do not need to provide DU transcripts.

Official study abroad transcripts are required unless the course titles, grades and credit earned abroad appear on another transcript. Transcripts from outside of the U.S. are evaluated by the Office of International Student Admission. This process can take three to four weeks and must be complete by the program's stated deadline.

Therefore, applicants with a degree from outside of the U.S. are encouraged to apply early. Applicants educated outside the U.S. are encouraged to contact the Office of Graduate Studies for assistance regarding transcript-related materials.

The University of Denver will consider electronic transcripts official from a domestic institution provided by the following approved agencies: Army/American Council on



Education Registry Transcript System (AARTS); Docufide/Parchment; National Student Clearinghouse; Naviance; Royall and Company; and Scrip-Safe. Electronic transcripts should be sent to gradinfo@du.edu.

Mail official transcripts to:

University of Denver
Office of Graduate Studies
Mary Reed Building, Room 5
2199 S. University Blvd.
Denver, CO 80208-4802

Language Proficiency

Official scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English Language Testing System (IELTS) are required of all graduate applicants, regardless of citizenship status, whose native language is not English or who have been educated in countries where English is not the native language. Applications will not be processed until the required TOEFL or IELTS score is received. The TOEFL and IELTS scores are valid for two years from the test date. The minimum TOEFL score accepted by the University is 80 (iBT) or 550 (paper-based). The institution code for the University of Denver is 4842. The minimum IELTS score accepted by the University is 6.0. Graduate Teaching Assistants (GTAs) must demonstrate fluency in spoken English by scoring a 26 on the TOEFL speaking section or 8.0 on the IELTS speaking section. Please see the Graduate Policy Manual for complete English language proficiency requirements.

Applicants may be exempted from English proficiency test requirements if by the time of matriculation they have earned a post-secondary degree from a formally- recognized/ accredited university where the language of instruction and examination is English. Such applicants may be exempt from the TOEFL/IELTS requirement but not from other standardized graduate entrance examinations. There are no exemptions for graduate teaching assistants.

Students whose native language is not English and who are required to submit TOEFL/IELTS scores will be assessed by the University of Denver English Language Center (ELC) prior to matriculation.

Test Scores

The Graduate Record Examination (GRE) is required. Scores must be received directly from the appropriate testing agency by the program's stated deadline. Students interested in graduate teaching assistantships (GTAs) or financial awards for the fall quarter must make sure that scores are received by the priority deadline, February 15. The institution code for the University of Denver is 4842.

Personal Statement

A personal statement of at least 300 words is required. The statement should include information concerning your life, education, practical experience, special interests and specific purpose in applying to the University of Denver's Department of

Mathematics. The statement should be submitted via upload through the online application process.

Recommendation Letters

Three letters of recommendation are required. Letters should be solicited and uploaded by recommenders through the online application system. Students interested in competing for graduate teaching assistantships (GTAs) or financial awards for the fall quarter must make sure that all letters of recommendation are received by the priority deadline, February 15.

Financial Support

To be considered for financial support, domestic applicants should apply early and submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by the priority deadline; February 15. Information about financial aid can be found on the [Office of Financial Aid website](#). International students are not eligible for federal financial aid.

Graduate teaching assistantships provide a full tuition waiver, health benefits, and a stipend of \$20,000 (PhD students, 2015-16), \$17,300 (MS students, 2015-16) for the nine-month year. The assistantships are renewable. These positions are merit-based and are awarded on a competitive basis.

Dean's graduate student scholarships provide half-time tuition waiver to graduate students who are not funded by graduate teaching assistantships. The scholarship is renewable for an additional year (masters students) or two additional years (doctoral students). These positions are merit-based and are awarded on a competitive basis.

Application Status

We encourage you to be actively engaged in the admission process. You can check your application status online. Applicants will receive login information post application submission.

Contact Information

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For more information call (303) 871-2706.

International Applicants

For complete international applicant information, please visit the Office of Graduate Studies [International Student Application Information](#). International applicants are



strongly encouraged to have their applications complete, with all materials on file in the admission office, at least eight weeks prior to the program's application deadline.

The [Graduate Policy Manual](#) provides complete details regarding admission requirements.