Offers of Admission and Deferral

Admission to the Graduate School is valid for up to one year from the initial term of admission. The admission may be deferred one time within that year with the approval of the admitting program. The deferral request must be made prior to the end of the graduate student course add period, typically the 20th day of classes in the fall and spring semesters, and a deferral fee is required. A program or the Graduate School may deny a deferral request or set additional requirements before approving a deferral. If the applicant is not enrolled after one year, or does not submit a deferral request by the required date, the admission will be withdrawn and a new application, application fee and supporting materials will be required. Previous admission into a program does not impact future admission consideration. A deferral approval only applies to the admission term and not other offers, such as assistantships, etc.

Levels of Admission Full Standing

Students who have fulfilled all of the admission requirements for a given program, including admission grade point average, entrance exams if required, reference and credentials if required, and have no prerequisites, may be granted admission on a full-standing basis. Students admitted to full standing are eligible for consideration for assistantships and federally-funded financial aid.

Conditional Status

Students who have background deficiencies or requirements assigned by the program or Graduate School at the point of admission may be granted admission on a Conditional basis. All conditions will be stated in the acceptance letter. Students must complete all conditions within one year of matriculation unless otherwise specified in the acceptance letter. Students may be admitted with both conditions and on probation, as these two levels of admission are not exclusive. Students admitted with conditions may be eligible for federally funded financial aid, and may be considered for graduate assistantship positions for which they are qualified.

Transfer to an appropriate nondegree category may result if the conditions are not satisfactorily met within the specified time limit. Reentry into the degree program will require reapplication, and readmission is not guaranteed. Students would be required to meet all requirements in place at the time that they reapply for reentry.

Probationary Status

Students who do not meet the minimum academic requirements for full-standing degree program admission may be admitted on probation when reasonable evidence exists to indicate their ability to do satisfactory degree program work. In order to clear the probationary status, students must complete their first 9 credit hours of graded graduate-level coursework at Wichita State University with a minimum 3.000 grade point average. Only courses numbered 500 and above which are letter graded (*A*, *B*, *C*, *D*, *F*) can be used toward the 9-credit-hour requirement. *S/U*, *Bg/NBg* and *Cr/NCr* courses will not count toward the 9-credit-hour requirement.

Students who have a graduate history at WSU must also raise their graduate grade point average to a 3.000 or better to be removed from probation.

Students admitted on probation or placed on academic probation following admission may be eligible for federally-funded financial aid, and may be considered for assistantship positions in some cases.

Readmission to Graduate School

Students who have completed coursework at Wichita State University, but have not enrolled in the past 24 months, are placed in inactive status. To enroll again, students must apply for readmission into the chosen degree program through the application process. Readmitted students with a previous Plan of Study on file will be required to submit a new plan meeting current degree program requirements. Graduate School policies in the current graduate catalog must be met.

No statements or policies in this catalog guarantee readmission into the Graduate School.