We are pleased that you have requested application materials from Governors State University. We recommend that you review all program requirements carefully. Major requirements may vary. Please review the specific requirements in the GSU catalog (on our website at www.govst.edu/catalog), or on the specific program fact sheet to verify additional admission requirements.

There is a $25 non-refundable application fee for undergraduate applications. Please enclose a check or money order, made payable to Governors State University. To pay by credit/debit card, please apply online at http://applynow.govst.edu. The $25 non-refundable application fee is waived for applicants who are veterans of or on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces. Please contact the Office of Admission for further information. Applications will not be processed until the application fee has been received.

The university reserves the right to cancel your admission if your final high school GPA or college cumulative grade point average for courses in progress at the time of application falls below that required for admission.

FRESHMAN APPLICATION DEADLINES
--Freshman applications will be accepted for fall semester enrollment only--

**Early Application Deadlines**
November 15 – Required application materials due (completed application, official transcripts, optional essay and test scores)
December 15 – Early Admission Decision Date

**Application Deadlines**
April 1 – Application Due
April 15 – Required application materials due (official transcripts, optional essay and test scores)
April 30 – Admission Decision Date
May 1 – Enrollment Deposit Due

FRESHMAN APPLICANTS
Freshmen at GSU are required to attend full time (12 or more credit hours) and take classes that meet Monday-Friday primarily during the day. You are a Freshman applicant if you currently attend high school or have graduated from high school but never attended college or have less than 24 semester hours from a regionally accredited institution. Special consideration will be applied when considering military veteran, international student, home school student, and GED earner applicants. Dual Credit Courses, Advanced Placement, CLEP, and International Baccalaureate (IB) credits may be accepted (college credit earned prior to attending GSU cannot replace courses all freshmen must take as required in the general education cohort program).

To meet admission criteria, you must have graduated or will graduate from high school with a minimum 2.75 GPA on a 4.0 scale and a minimum ACT composite of 18 or SAT equivalent (minimum SAT score range of 860-890 when combining Critical Reading plus Math). Students below an 18 ACT may also be considered for admission. Additionally, you must meet the minimum high school subject requirements of 4 years of English, 3 years of Math, 2 years of Lab Sciences, 2 years of Social Sciences, 2 years of Fine Arts or 2 year of a Foreign Language and 2 years of Elective Academic Units, and submit a 300-500 optional personal essay. The essay may also be used for English placement and scholarship purposes.

Applicants are required to submit official high school transcript and official ACT or SAT score reports (if younger than 21 years old), or official GED. You must submit your final high school transcript after graduating or you will be unable to begin courses.

PROSPECTIVE APPLICANTS WITH DISABILITIES
Applicants with a disability are encouraged to contact the Academic Resource Center at 708.534.4508 for further assistance.

DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM
The Dual Degree Program is an exceptional partnership between Governors State University and Chicago Area Community Colleges offering you an accessible and affordable pathway to your associate and bachelor’s degree. Please visit www.govst.edu/dualdegree for more details about requirements and partner community colleges.
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Anthropology and Sociology
   Anthropology  ANSO.ANTH.BA
   Sociology  ANSO.SOC.BA
Art  ART.BFA
Biology  BIOL.BS
Biology Teacher Education  BIOL.BTE.BS
Chemistry  CHEM.BS
Chemistry Teacher Education  CHEM.CTE.BS
Communications
   Advertising and Public Relations  COMM.APR.BA
   Film-Making and Multimedia  COMM.MMC.BA
   Human Communications  COMM.HCM.BA
   Journalism  COMM.JRN.BA
Computer Science  CPSC.BS
Criminal Justice  CJUS.BA
   Corrections and Punishment  CJUS.CPN.BA
   Law Enforcement and Security  CJUS.LFS.BA
   Restorative and Community Justice  CJUS.RCJ.BA
English  ENGL.BA
English Teacher Education  ENGL.ETED.BA
History  HIST.BA
Information Technology  ITECH.BS
Interdisciplinary Studies  IDSS.BA
Mathematics  MATH.BA
Math Teacher Education  MATH.MTE.BA
Media Studies  MST.BA
Political Science  POLS.BA
Social Sciences  SOSC.BA
Theatre and Performance Studies  TAPS.BA

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Accounting  ACCT.BS
Economics  ECON.BA
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Business Administration
   Entrepreneurship  BSAD.ENTR.BA
   Finance  BSAD.FIN.BA
   Human Resources Management  BSAD.HRM.BA
   Management  BSAD.MGMT.BA
   Management Information Systems  BSAD.MIS.BA
   Marketing  BSAD.MKTG.BA
   Operations and Supply Chain Management  BSAD.OSC.BA
Business and Applied Science  BAAS.BA
Entrepreneurship  ENTR.BA

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Early Childhood Education  EDEC.BA
Elementary Education  ELED.BA
Psychology  PSYC.BA
   Forensic  PSYC.FOR.BA
   Industrial/Organizational  PSYC.IOR.BA
   Mindfulness  PSYC.MDF.BA
   Pre-Clinical  PSYC.PSP.BA

COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Communication Disorders  CDIS.BHS
Community Health  COMH.BHS
   Gerontology-Healthy Aging  COMH.GHAG.BHS
   Gerontology-Long Term Care  COMH.GLTC.BHS
   Health Promotion Education  COMH.HPED.BHS
   Pre-Occupational Therapy  COMH.PROT.BHS
Health Administration  HLAD.BHA
Social Work  SOCW.BSW
Please submit:
- $25 non-refundable application fee payable to: Governors State University
- Official high school and/or college transcript(s)
- Official ACT or SAT results
- Personal Essay (optional)

- Mr.  ❑ Mrs.  ❑ Ms.  ❑ Other________

Name ____________________________________________________________
Last                                First                         M.I.
Permanent Address ________________________________________________
Number & Street                        Apt.#
City or Town                           State          ZIP Code + 4  Country
Mailing Address (if different from above) __________________________________
Number & Street                        Apt.#
City or Town                           State          ZIP Code + 4  Country
Home Phone (           ) ______________________________ Work Phone (           ) ______________________________
E-mail ____________________________________________________________
Cell Phone (           ) ______________________________

Birthdate __________________________   ❑ Male      ❑ Female  ❑ Previous Name(s) ______________________________
Month       Day          Year
Ethnic Origin:
1. Are you Latino/Hispanic?    No ____    Yes ____  2. Please select the categories below that describe you (select as many as apply)
❑ American Indian or Alaska Native  ❑ Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
❑ Asian                              ❑ White
❑ Black or African American

Illinois Resident? ❑ Yes ❑ No
How long? __________ Years __________ Months  County________________________
Citizenship Status:
❑ U.S. Citizen  ❑ Permanent Resident (attach a copy of permanent resident card, both sides.)
❑ Undocumented /Deferred Action  ❑ International Student
Citizenship country (if other than U.S.): __________________________________
Please indicate your military status:
❑ No military service  ❑ Active Duty  ❑ Active Reserve  ❑ National Guard
❑ Inactive Reserve  ❑ Veteran  ❑ Dependent or Survivor of a Veteran
Social Security Number*               —               —
*Your Social Security Number (SSN) is requested pursuant to Public Law 93-579 for the University’s system of student records, as well as for compliance with federal and state reporting requirements. Your SSN is required if you are applying for financial aid but is not required for admission to the University. Providing an SSN will, however, speed up the processing of your application since we will not need to manually match your application with other materials such as transcripts and test scores. Supplying your SSN ensures

Please read the accompanying instructions before completing this application. Please refer to the code sheet on the previous page for all appropriate codes.

Applying for: ❑ Fall (August-December) 2015
Applying as: ❑ First Time Freshman (Never attended college)  ❑ Transfer Freshman (Less than 24 credit hours)

All undergraduate degree seeking applicants are admitted to Governors State University, but not into a major program of study. Listing an Intended Major on your application gives your advisor a better idea of your academic goals. Once you are admitted to the university, you may contact the major department or your academic advisor for information about declaring your major.

Intended Major Code (see list on page 2) ______________________________

Have you ever applied to GSU before?      ❑ Yes ❑ No
If yes, indicate year____________________

Have either of your parents or legal guardians received formal education beyond High School? ❑ Yes ❑ No
If yes, please select all that apply: Associate Degree  ❑ Yes ❑ No  Bachelor Degree  ❑ Yes ❑ No  Beyond Bachelor Degree  ❑ Yes ❑ No

Online application available at https://applynow.govst.edu

Social Security Number*               —               —
You must list all high schools, colleges or universities you attended. Use reverse chronological order, beginning with most recent.

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PERSONAL ESSAY (optional)
Governors State University considers a variety of factors when making admissions decisions. High school grade point average (GPA), course patterns, and standardized test scores are all important considerations. For students whose applications require further review, an optional academic personal statement may help us come to the right decision. If you choose to submit a statement, it will be considered along with your transcript and test score information to determine your eligibility for admission.

If you choose to submit a statement, it should be approximately 300-500 words and address the following:
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2. Identify and explain your academic strengths and weaknesses.
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EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, HONORS, ORGANIZATIONS AND/OR EMPLOYMENT:

CAMPUS SAFETY
For the purpose of the following four questions ‘crime” or ‘criminal charge” refers to any crime in which the offender is considered an adult, other than a traffic related misdemeanor or an infraction or criminal offense that is sealed/expunged/pardoned or otherwise protected from disclosure by express authority of law. You must, however, include alcohol or drug offenses whether or not they are traffic related.

1. Have you been convicted of a crime?  ❑ Yes ❑ No
2. Have you entered a plea of guilty, a plea of no contest, a plea of nolo contendere or an Alford plea, or have you received a deferred prosecution or prayer for judgment continued to a criminal charge?  ❑ Yes ❑ No
3. Do you have any criminal charges pending against you?  ❑ Yes ❑ No
4. Have you ever been expelled, dismissed, suspended, placed on probation or otherwise subject to any disciplinary sanction by any school, college or university (non-academic)?  ❑ Yes ❑ No

In addition to the truthful, accurate and complete completion of the Campus Safety Questions, an applicant must promptly notify the Office of Admission in writing of any criminal charge, any disposition of a criminal charge, or any school, college or university disciplinary action against the applicant, or any type of military discharge other than a discharge under honorable conditions that occurs at any time after you submit this application to Governors State University. Your failure to do so will be grounds to deny or withdraw your admission or make you subject to disciplinary sanctions after enrollment.

If you answered “yes” to any of the four Campus Safety Questions listed on the application, please explain the circumstances below, including the following information for review of the Readmission or Special Admission Committee at Governors State University:
• A brief explanation of the criminal offense(s)/or pending criminal charge(s)
• Date(s)
• Location (city, state, county)
• Case Number(s)
• Court Disposition

The required information/documentation should be sent at the time of the application for admission in a statement, typed in English, dated and including your signature to:
READMISSION AND SPECIAL ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE
Office of Admission
Governors State University
1 University Parkway
University Park, IL 60484

The university will not consider an application complete until the required statement is received and included in your admission file. If, after reviewing your statement the university determines it needs to gather additional information before making a decision on your application the university reserves the right to request a release from you for the release of original court, military or educational disciplinary records in making an admission decision.

ALL APPLICANTS
Do you certify the following?
I understand that once my application has been submitted it may NOT be altered in any way.  ❑ Yes ❑ No

I certify that all of the information submitted in the application is my own work, factually true, and honestly presented. I understand that I may be subject to a range of possible disciplinary actions, including admission revocation or expulsion, should the information I certified be false.  ❑ Yes ❑ No

I understand that an offer of admission is conditional, pending receipt of final transcripts showing work comparable in quality to that upon which the offer was based.  ❑ Yes ❑ No

Signature ___________________________ Date ____________
Governors State University is an equal opportunity institution. The university adheres to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act.
CAMPUS SAFETY
Governors State University is committed to maintaining a safe environment for all members of the University community. As part of this commitment, the University requires all applicants to disclose pending criminal charges or criminal convictions, or educational disciplinary separation from an educational institution by answering the four Campus Safety Questions below. The completion of the Campus Safety Questions is a mandatory part of the Governors State University admissions process. Applications in which an applicant answers 'yes' to any of the Campus Safety Questions will be reviewed by the University prior to an admission decision.

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Governors State University does not necessarily deny admission simply because an applicant has a history of criminal or civil offenses or disciplinary matters. In making admission decisions, GSU considers a number of factors, including, but not limited to, the nature, number, and date of offenses in light of the requirements for participation in its programs. If you do not disclose your complete history here, regardless of your reason, GSU may, upon discovering your failure to disclose, subject you to discipline up to and including denial of admission, revocation of admission, cancellation of university housing application, suspension or dismissal after matriculation or revocation of degree.

SECURITY INFORMATION NOW AVAILABLE
GSU is committed to assisting all members of the community in providing for their own safety and security. The annual security compliance document is available on the GSU website at www.govst.edu/cleryact. The website contains information on campus security and personal safety, including crime prevention, university police law-enforcement authority, crime reporting policies, disciplinary procedures, and other important matters about security on campus. It also contains statistics for the three previous calendar years on reported crimes that occurred on campus, in certain off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by GSU, and on public property within or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus. This information is required by law and is provided by the GSU’s Department of Public Safety.
FRESHMAN APPLICATION CHECKLIST

____ Sign your completed application

____ Submit the application form

____ Submit your application fee or fee waiver verification form, if applicable

____ Submit your personal essay (optional)

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3. Explain any circumstances which affected your high school academic performance, if applicable.

____ Submit an official high school transcript or GED score (official transcripts from colleges attended, if applicable)

____ Mail application packet to:
Governors State University
Office of Admission
1 University Parkway
University Parkway, IL 60484

____ Request your official ACT or SAT scores be sent to Governors State University by:
1. Specify the following codes at time of test taking:
   - For the ACT, use code 1028
   - For the SAT, use code 0807

   OR

2. Go to the website and specifying the following codes when making your request.
   - For ACT, visit www.act.org; use code 1028.
   - For SAT, visit www.collegeboard.com; use code 0807.

____ To maximize your opportunity for federal and state grants file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as soon as possible beginning January 1 and before February 15. **Governors State University's financial aid code for your FAFSA is 009145.**

   - Discuss with your family the financial resources available and expectations for funding your college education.
   - Research scholarship opportunities at your school library or with your Guidance Counselor and attend workshops about financial aid.
   - Save money from part time jobs to help pay for college expenses.
   - Student loans may help you make a great investment in your future. Learn more about college loan programs and other financial aid topics by visiting our web site: www.govst.edu/financialaid/