

# SLATE Application Tips & Information

FSU employs an on-line application system designed and administered by **SLATE**. For access to the graduate level application portal, click [FSU On-line Application Portal](#).

## Application Checklist

Your application must be complete in order to be considered.

Each application must contain:

- ✓ Official transcript(s) from each institution attended submitted directly to FSU.
- ✓ Proof of bachelor's degree (transcripts) or date to complete bachelor's degree.  
*Note: To be competitive, applicants with degrees in disciplines other than Anthropology should have strong undergraduate coursework foundation in archaeology, cultural anthropology, physical anthropology and the history of anthropology.*
- ✓ ~~WAIVED Official Graduate Record Examination (rGRE) scores submitted directly to FSU.~~
- ✓ A Statement of Purpose (sometimes referred to a Statement of Intent)
- ✓ Three (3) letters of recommendation uploaded by the recommender into the application system.
- ✓ Original writing sample pertaining to the field of Anthropology. The guidelines can be found at >> [Writing Sample Guidelines for application to the FSU Anthropology Graduate Program](#).
- ✓ Official TOEFL scores (for students whose native language is not English)

Additions details pertaining to the above items are as follows:

**Official Transcripts** from each college and/or university attended must be submitted to the FSU Office of Graduate Admissions. Transfer credit posted on the records of other institutions is not accepted in lieu of transcripts from the original institutions. Transcripts are considered official when they bear an official seal and signature and are sent directly from the issuing college or university to the FSU Office of Graduate Admissions.

The address for submitting transcripts via surface mail is:

Florida State University  
Office of Graduate Admissions  
314 Westcott Building  
Tallahassee, FL 32306-1410

For electronic transcripts that require an email use [graduateadmissions@fsu.edu](mailto:graduateadmissions@fsu.edu).

**Upper Division GPA** is the grade point average (GPA) that you earned in all coursework attempted while registered as an upper-division undergraduate student working towards a bachelor's degree. Upper-division undergraduate coursework includes the entire term in which you attempted your 60<sup>th</sup> semester hour (or 90<sup>th</sup> quarter hour) and continues until completion of the baccalaureate degree. Please be prepared to submit your calculations to the Graduate Admissions Committee, if requested.

**Graduate GPA** is the grade point average that you earned while enrolled in another master's program.

The **rGRE** score reporting code for FSU is 5219; no department code is required.

**Letters of Recommendation** are uploaded on-line. Once you have submitted your basic information you will be able to pay the processing fee, upload your personal statement, resume, writing sample and enter contact information for recommenders. Enter a valid e-mail address for each recommender. E-mail will be automatically sent to each recommender with a link for them to upload letters of recommendation. It is your responsibility to have the recommenders upload their letters before the deadline.

**Submit Application Early** since information sent by others is out of your direct control and therefore may not be received in a timely manner. In order for your application to be considered, all documentation (*official transcripts, ~~rGRE scores~~, letters of recommendation*) must be received before the deadline.

A **Readmission** student is a person enrolled in the FSU Anthropology Master's Program in the past, who left the program and is requesting to be readmitted into the program.

**Application Fee Payment** is via e-check. It can take from 5 to 10 business days for **SLATE** to process payments.

## Additional Resource Links>>

[The Graduate School at FSU](#)

[Graduate Admissions Process](#)

[GPA Computation Worksheet](#)

[Graduate Admissions Manual](#)

[Graduate Admission Resources](#)

[Anthropology Admission Requirements](#)