



Northwestern University Graduate School

Northwestern University has devoted many resources to its extensive graduate programs. In all there are almost 7,900 post graduate students at Northwestern spread across a wide variety of academic programs. The Graduate School offers programs leading to several degrees including master of arts (MA), master of fine arts (MFA), master of public health (MPH), master of science (MS) and doctor of philosophy (PhD) degrees in over 70 subjects. In addition there are also certificate programs available in subjects where a degree is not yet available.

Here is a sampling of some degree programs available though The Graduate School at Northwestern University.

Accounting	Counseling Psychology	Public Health
Anthropology	Economics	Operations
Art History	English	Management
Chemistry	Finance	Speech Pathology
Computer Science	Learning Disabilities	Theatre & Drama

While most graduate programs are though The Graduate School, there are some programs that are administered by their respective departments such as graduate level degrees in management, music, medicine, engineering, law, education, and journalism. The Graduate School offers qualified students the opportunity to pursue a number of different combined (joint and dual) degree programs, if you are looking for a specialized degree.

Research and development is a large part of Northwestern University's mission and this is especially true in the research focused post-graduate division. In 2009 Northwestern was ranked 10th in the country (\$40 million dollars) for all non Science & Engineering research expenditures, most of which falls under the umbrella of The Graduate School.

Between 2007 and 2009 this research budget grew by over 30% and they continue to devote many resources to both science and non-science research activities alike.

The admissions process is similar to other graduate programs. Students must submit a statement of purpose, official transcripts, letters of recommendation, and GRE scores (for most programs).

Funding assistance provided for all incoming PhD candidates with a minimum of four academic years and three summers of guaranteed funding. Most masters level students are self funded either through loans or scholarship assistance. A special coordinator for graduate school funding is available to guide accepted students in regards to finding the best funding options for them.

Located in picturesque Evanston, Illinois 10 miles north of downtown Chicago, Northwestern offers its students all the benefits of big city life with the comfort and pace of a suburban campus. Because it is within walking distance of Lake Michigan many students enjoy spending their time outdoors (weather permitting) and enjoying the many local parks, and cultural institutions located around the city of Chicago.