## Program and Application Information

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**Application Website:**  
https://www.applyweb.com/apply/jmug/index.html  

**International Applicants:**  
http://www.jmu.edu/grad/international/index.shtml  

**Catalog Link:**  
http://www.jmu.edu/catalog/  

**Application Deadlines:** The application will open September 1 and the deadline is February 1. Incomplete applications will not be considered; applicants are responsible for assuring that all materials have been received. Review of complete applications begins after February 1.  

**Program Begins:** Fall  

**Degree(s) Offered:** Master of Arts  

**Test Requirements:** GRE General Test  

## Required by The Graduate School

**Required Electronically:**  
- Application  
- Application fee  
- Official GRE scores  

Send official transcripts to The Graduate School. The preferred method is an electronic copy sent via e-Scrip or National Student Clearing House. If an electronic copy is not an option, official, unopened paper copies can be mailed to:  

The Graduate School  
James Madison University  
17 West Grace Street  
MSC 6702  
Harrisonburg, VA 22807  

**Required by Program:**  
- Brief statement of purpose  
- Formal writing sample of approximately 10 to 20 pages that demonstrates the applicant’s analytical abilities and writing skills  
- Three letters of recommendation  
- Any additional materials that demonstrate the applicant’s preparation and potential for graduate study  

Applicants who have been out of school for some time should contact the Graduate Director for advice on identifying appropriate recommenders and on selecting a suitable writing sample.