



## Medical Illustration Graduate Program Application Requirements & Process

*Note: Entry into the Medical Illustration Graduate Program occurs only in the Fall semester.*

### Admission Requirements - 2013

#### Application—

1. The **Applicant Preliminary Evaluation Form** and **Preliminary Portfolio** (**January 31 deadline**) must be sent directly to the Medical Illustration Graduate Program at:

Medical Illustration Graduate Program, CJ-1101  
Georgia Regents University  
Augusta, GA 30912-0300

*Preliminary application materials are reviewed by the department's Admissions Committee. **If the preliminary evaluation is satisfactory** you will be requested to complete the **Online Application for Graduate Programs** and submit all required application materials and official documents. In addition, if the preliminary evaluation is satisfactory, you will be invited for an in-person interview in the department. Please do not submit a formal **Online Application for Graduate Programs** until you have completed the preliminary application process and received formal notification from the department.*

- 1 **Online Application for Graduate Programs** at: <https://www.applyweb.com/apply/mcg/menu.html>.
- 2 Application Fee: \$50
- 3 Campus: Georgia Regents University campus in Augusta, GA. No online courses.
- 4 Application Deadlines for application and required materials and documents:

*Note: Early submission of all application materials is strongly advised.*

- **January 31** (Fall Entry), Preliminary Application: The **Applicant Preliminary Evaluation Form** and **Preliminary Portfolio** must be submitted by the applicant directly to the Medical Illustration Graduate Program by January 31. Specific information about the preliminary application process can be found at: <http://www.georgiahealth.edu/alliedhealth/mi/MIAApplication.html>
- **March 31** (Fall entry), Formal Application Deadline: If invited for a personal interview by the Medical Illustration Graduate Program, the interviewee must complete a formal **Online Application for Graduate Programs** and submit all required application materials to the Office of Academic Admissions.

*Note: All required application materials and documents must be received in order for an application to be considered complete and before an admission decision can be made. Applications and supporting materials received after the program deadline will only be considered on a space-available basis.*



### **GPA—**

Minimum overall undergraduate GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale is required. As an exception, the Admissions Committee may consider candidates with a lower GPA based on extenuating circumstances, GRE scores, and strengths in other areas; however, this may result in acceptance into the program on a probationary status.

### **Minimum Degree Requirement—**

Minimum of a Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university is required. To be used to satisfy degree requirements, evaluation of foreign educational transcripts must show degree earned that is the *U.S. equivalency of degree* required by the program.

### **Official Transcripts—**

Official transcripts are required from all universities and colleges ever attended. Only in the case of transcripts from international colleges/universities will an official course-by-course transcript evaluation be accepted in lieu of an official transcript.

Official transcripts should be sent to GRU's Office of Academic Admissions. ***To remain official, all transcripts must remain in the original, unopened, sealed and stamped/signed envelope from the Registrar's office of the issuing institution.*** Alternatively, GRU will accept official electronic transcripts from the registrar's office at your prior institution. Electronic transcripts should be directed to [admissions@gru.edu](mailto:admissions@gru.edu).

### **Transcript/Credential Evaluation of Foreign Transcripts—**

An official, professional, course-by-course evaluation based on official transcripts and documents is required for all foreign educational transcripts and documents from one of the following three credentials evaluation services: Josef Silny & Associates, Inc., World Education Services (WES), Educational Credential Evaluators, Inc. (ECE). Silny and WES are recommended. Official transcript evaluations based on unofficial transcripts, documents or copies will not fulfill this requirement.

### **References—**

Recommendations (which include a reference form **and** a letter of recommendation) from three individuals are required. Referees should be individuals qualified to critically assess the applicant's prior academic (usually college professors), employment, artistic, research and/or clinical experience (clinical or research supervisor/manager) and qualifications (as applicable) as well as the applicant's potential as a graduate student in the field/program selected.

Graduate reference forms and letters of recommendation can be submitted online only. As part of the online application process, applicants provide the names and current email addresses for three individuals they have asked to serve as their referees. Once the online application is submitted, each referee will receive an email notification directing him/her to the online site where he/she can complete the reference form and submit his/her letter of recommendation. To change a referee after the application has been submitted, the applicant is instructed to log into his/her CollegeNet account and update the name and current email address for the referee. Status updates of your referees' submissions will be provided to you directly from CollegeNet.



### **GRE Requirement—**

Minimum combined Verbal and Quantitative score of 900 (prior to August, 2011) or 295 (after August, 2011). Official GRE scores are required (only the General GRE test is required).\* All official GRE scores must be submitted to GRU's Office of Academic Admissions directly from the Education Testing Service (ETS) and must be less than five years old. The institution code for submission of GRE scores to GRU is 5406. Please do not select a department code.

### **TOEFL Requirement—**

Official Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) test scores are required for applicants whose first language is not English. Minimum TOEFL score of 550 paper-based, 213 computer-based or 79 internet-based. The institution code for submission of TOEFL scores to GRU is 5406. Please do not select a department code.

Exemption from the TOEFL requirement is allowed for graduate students who submit proof of earning a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited U.S. college/university where English is the language of instruction.

## **Program Specific Requirements**

### **Pre-requisite Course Work—**

- Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy or Vertebrate Morphology with a "C" or better grade, with student dissections of a mammal (for example, a cat, rabbit or piglet);
- Human Physiology;
- Life Drawing from a nude model, including advanced-level courses;
- Advanced courses in realistic drawing or painting from observation; and,
- Computer graphics, including Photoshop ® and Illustrator ® or equivalent are required. Additional digital media courses are strongly recommended.
- • In addition, any of the following are also recommended:
  - **Sciences:** Histology, Embryology, Invertebrate Anatomy, Cell Biology, Molecular Biology, Genetics, Immunology, Basic Chemistry, Biochemistry, Organic Chemistry
  - **Art:** Animation, Architectural Drawing, Cinematography, Color Theory, Drafting, Design (Graphic, Interface, Media, Set/Stage, 2D, 3D, Type, Web, etc.), Media Arts, Sculpture, Photography, Perspective, Print Making (Engraving, Intaglio, Lithography, Serigraphy, etc.), Technical Drawing, Time Arts, Typography, Videography.

### **Preliminary Application and Preliminary Portfolio of Original Artwork—**

Specific information regarding the preliminary and formal portfolios can be found at [www.georgiahealth.edu/alliedhealth/mi/MI-Application.html](http://www.georgiahealth.edu/alliedhealth/mi/MI-Application.html) . Samples of artwork from the portfolios of successful applicants can be seen at <http://www.georgiahealth.edu/alliedhealth/mi/MI-Portfolio.html>.

### **Personal Interview and Formal Portfolio Review with the Program Faculty—**



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Interviews are by invitation only, and are scheduled in February and March. A personal interview is required for admission. Travel to and from Augusta and hotel arrangements for the interview are the responsibility of the applicant. The applicant must bring a formal portfolio of work to the interview.

## Admission Recommendations

**The successful applicant will have:**

- A GPA of 3.0 or higher; and,
- A minimum combined verbal and quantitative score on the GRE of 1000 or higher (prior to August, 2011) or 300 or higher (after August, 2011).

*\*Substitutions and/or waivers of minimum requirements must first be supported and approved at the program level and then formally approved by the Dean of the College of Graduate Studies.*

*\*\*While every effort is made to maintain this information as current, it may be subject to change. Please check with GRU's Office of Academic Admission for recent updates.*

*\*\*\*Applications deferred to another semester are subject to all admission requirements and program requirements in effect for the semester to which they are deferred.*

## Application Process

Formal application and application materials are submitted to and processed through the GRU Office of Academic Admissions (OAA). Programs will have access to applicants' files and documents only after OAA has officially processed them into the system. Applicants can monitor receipt and processing of application documents using the online status check.

In accordance with Board of Regents Policy 4.1.6, all applicants for admission to Georgia Health Sciences University for Fall 2011 or any academic semester thereafter will be required to provide validation of lawful presence in the United States. Acceptance to the Georgia Health Sciences University is conditional until lawful presence is verified. ALL applicants who are U.S. Citizens must submit documentation that verifies his/her lawful presence in the United States at time of application to [Admissions@gru.edu](mailto:Admissions@gru.edu).