## **Application to the Doctoral Program**

All individuals who desire to pursue a graduate degree at the University of Idaho must be admitted to the <u>College of Graduate Studies</u>. Although the content courses for the graduate degrees are offered through the College of Education and its respective programs, it is the College of Graduate Studies that makes the final decision on acceptance.

In order to be considered for doctoral study, all potential students (including those who have already earned a graduate degree at the University of Idaho) must meet the following criteria and complete the application requirements, which have been established by the College of Graduate Studies and the College of Education.

## **Admission Requirements**

- 1. An undergraduate cumulative GPA of 2.80 or higher for the last 60 semester credits and a graduate cumulative GPA of 3.50;
- 2. International students are required to submit TOEFL (or equivalent) scores showing a required minimum score of 550;
- 3. Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores **must** be provided. Preference will be given to applicants with combined Verbal + Quantitative score of 1050 or above;
- 4. Evidence of at least three years of teaching and/or professional experience (the faculty within each program area may require or accept an alternative experience);
- 5. Three letters of recommendation documenting primarily the applicant's professional work performance and, secondarily, academic qualifications;
- 6. Writing sample (previous academic, scientific or professional writing example);
- 7. Application fee as indicated on the College of Graduate Studies web site.
- 8. Change of Curriculum form.

If the applicant does not meet one or more of the admission requirements, and if a majority of the voting graduate faculty members in the program area wish to admit the student (and an approved graduate faculty member agrees to chair the committee), a statement of support from the program must be provided which supports admission to the doctoral program. The statement and admission materials are then forwarded to the Associate Dean. The Associate Dean may refer such recommendations to the Graduate Research and Policies Committee prior to acting upon the recommendation of the program area.

All potential doctoral students are required to send all application materials to:

University of Idaho Graduate Admissions Office P.O. Box 443019 Moscow, ID 83844-3019

e-mail: graduateadmissions@uidaho.edu

www.students.uidaho.edu/gradadmissions

The Graduate Admissions Office will send all completed application files to the College of Education Dean's Office. The Dean's Office will then route them to the applicant's program of interest, where the application will be reviewed by a committee of graduate faculty.

If the recommendation by the program area graduate faculty is to admit, and if someone who is qualified and approved by the program area graduate faculty agrees to chair the candidate's doctoral committee, the recommendation to approve admission is sent to the College of Education Dean's office. If the recommendation is to decline admission to an applicant, that decision is sent to the College of Education Dean's Office. All recommendations are then forwarded to the Graduate Admissions Office in the College of Graduate Studies for a final decision.

Completed applications must be received in the Graduate Admissions Office by February 1.