



Ph.D. Application Process

If you have any questions, please contact us at [716.286.8336](tel:716.286.8336) or graduate@niagara.edu.

NEED TO CREATE AN ACCOUNT?

1. Go to www.niagara.edu/apply.
2. Under First Time Users, click **Create an Account**.
3. Fill out the contact information under **Register** and click **Continue**. You will be emailed a temporary PIN.
4. Enter the temporary PIN under **Login**.
5. Set password by clicking **Set Password**.
6. Click **Start New Application** and select the term/type you wish to apply for under drop down under **Select Application Type**.
7. Select _____ Graduate Programs (on-campus and online) and Ph.D. Application Lewiston, New York, USA.
8. Fill out each application component, clicking **Continue** to move on to next section.
9. Once you have completed all sections of the application, sign your name and select **Confirm**.
10. You may view/upload necessary supplemental items by clicking on **Graduate Application** under application management and click **Review**.

ALREADY HAVE AN ACCOUNT?

1. Go to www.niagara.edu/apply.
2. Log in using your previous email and password.
3. Click on Graduate **Application** at the bottom of the page under the Graduate heading.
4. Click on the Graduate Application you started under the **My Applications** heading.
5. Continue working on your application, filling out each application component, clicking **Continue** to move on to the next section.
6. Once you have completed all sections of the application, sign your name and click **Confirm**.
7. To view and upload the necessary supplemental items, click on the **Graduate Applications** and select **Review**.

Application Materials

NIAGARA UNIVERSITY PH.D. APPLICATION – ONLINE

www.niagara.edu/apply

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS – MAILED OR EMAILED

- Graduated from regionally accredited college or university.
- Official transcripts of all colleges and universities attended in a sealed institution envelope.
- If you have not yet graduated and/or your degree has not been conferred, please enclose an in progress letter.
- Electronic transcripts can be sent to grad-ed@niagara.edu.

THREE REFERENCES – ONLINE

- Academic or professional.
- After submitting your online application, you will be able to directly email your references to request a recommendation.

GOAL STATEMENT – ONLINE

- Goal statement of at least 500 words that answers the question, “How will this doctoral program in leadership and policy address my future professional goals?”
- Please include your name at the top of this uploaded document.

PROFESSIONAL RESUME – ONLINE

- Upload resume, including all professional experiences relating to the intended field of study.

PROFESSIONAL WRITING SAMPLE – ONLINE

An uploaded professional writing sample consisting of one of the following:

- Single author refereed journal or single author conference paper
 - Critical review of a book, article, video, etc. (750 words or more)
 - Chapter of a graduate thesis or representative paper from a graduate class
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- Applicants are required to attend an interview designed to examine the student’s career goals, personal readiness for their program, multicultural sensitivity and awareness, personal dispositions and decision-making skills.
 - A degree evaluation by WES (www.wes.org) is required for applicants who have obtained a degree outside of the U.S. or Canada. Please select the comprehensive course-by-course report.
 - For individuals whose native language is not English, a language proficiency examination is required. Please visit www.niagara.edu/toefl-requirements for more information. NU waives this examination requirement for students scoring 600+ on the GRE/GMAT.



Materials marked “Mailed” can be sent to:
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