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**GRADUATE  
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ADMISSIONS  
GUIDE  
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## **MASTER OF ARTS IN ART (511)**

Contact - Collier Hyams – 318.357.5436

[HyamsC@nsula.edu](mailto:HyamsC@nsula.edu)

### **Admission**

- ✓ Regular admission only (all requirements must be met)
- ✓ Departmental Approval

### **Requirements**

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university.
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.5 OR 2.75 in the last 60 hours of undergraduate study to be determined by department
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities attended
- ✓ GRE will be waived once approved by department
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation (no form letter)
- ✓ Immunization record or immunization waiver form

### **Departmental Requirements**

- ✓ Letter of Intent (1-2 pages) to be e-mailed to [Grad\\_School@nsula.edu](mailto:Grad_School@nsula.edu)
- ✓ CV showing active gallery, exhibition, and/or art show participation in the last five years along with work experience record to be e-mailed to Collier Hyams at [HyamsC@nsula.edu](mailto:HyamsC@nsula.edu)

## **MASTER OF ARTS IN ADULT LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT**

**Contact: Stephanie Smith – 318.357.6278**  
**(Dr. Bill Morrison – [MorrisonB@nsula.edu](mailto:MorrisonB@nsula.edu))**

### **Admission**

- ✓ Conditional or Regular (all requirements must be met)
- ✓ Does NOT require departmental approval

### **Requirements**

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university.
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.5 OR 2.75 in the last 60 hours of undergraduate study to be determined by department.
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities attended
- ✓ GRE score not required
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization requirement will be waived, program is online.

### **Departmental Requirements**

- ✓ Resume' (e-mail to [Grad\\_School@nsula.edu](mailto:Grad_School@nsula.edu))
- ✓ Letter of Intent (e-mail to [Grad\\_School@nsula.edu](mailto:Grad_School@nsula.edu))

## **MASTER OF ARTS IN COUNSELING**

**Stephanie Smith – 318.357.6278**

**(Dr. Gerra Perkins – [PerkinsG@nsula.edu](mailto:PerkinsG@nsula.edu))**

### **Admission**

- ✓ Conditional or Regular only
- ✓ All requirements must be met
- ✓ Departmental approval

### **Requirements**

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA 2.5 or 2.75 in the last 60 hours of undergraduate study to be determined by department.
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE scores with minimum of 280 on verbal plus quantitative section
- ✓ To be eligible for GA, GRE must be 282 or better with 2.5 GPA
- ✓ Three letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Record or can request waiver

### **Departmental Requirements**

- ✓ Request Letter (letter requesting consideration for program admission to program including applicants' reasons for selecting the program concentration) – E-mail to [Grad\\_School@nsula.edu](mailto:Grad_School@nsula.edu)
- ✓ Resume' – Include full name, address, phone numbers, e-mail, academic experiences, prior related work experiences, degrees held, honor, awards, special interests and other appropriate information. (E-mail to [Grad\\_School@nsula.edu](mailto:Grad_School@nsula.edu))
- ✓ Narrative (autobiographical narrative showing evidence of life experiences and personal maturity indicating appropriateness for the counseling field) (E-mail to [Grad\\_School@nsula.edu](mailto:Grad_School@nsula.edu))
- ✓ Interview (will be notified by Dr. Gerra Perkins of Counseling)

## **DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE**

**Krystal Wilson – [WilsonK@nsula.edu](mailto:WilsonK@nsula.edu) – 318.677.3131**  
**(Dr. Aimee Badeaux – [BadeauxA@nsula.edu](mailto:BadeauxA@nsula.edu))**

### **Admission**

- ✓ Regular admission only
- ✓ All requirements must be met
- ✓ Departmental approval

### **Requirements**

- ✓ Master of Science in Nursing degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 3.0 or better
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ Three letters of recommendation (DNP recommendation form. Can be found on the College of Nursing website)
- ✓ Immunization Record
- ✓ Emotional Quotient to be e-mailed to [Grad\\_School@nsula.edu](mailto:Grad_School@nsula.edu)
- ✓ GRE will be waived with acceptable Emotional Quotient (EQ) and after approved for program

### **Departmental Requirements**

- ✓ Contact College of Nursing at 318.677.3131 for additional requirements they may ask for.

## **DOCTOR OF EDUCATION**

**Stephanie Smith – 318.357.6278**

**(Dr. Bill Morrison – [MorrisonB@nsula.edu](mailto:MorrisonB@nsula.edu))**

**Fall Cohort only**

### **Admission**

- ✓ Regular Admission only
- ✓ All requirements must be met
- ✓ Departmental approval

### **Requirements**

- ✓ Master's degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA from master's degree of 3.0 or better
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ Official GRE scores with minimum of 280 (verbal plus quantitative) OR other approved professional score, such as Praxis, or master's degree with minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5.
- ✓ Three letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization record

### **Departmental Requirements**

- ✓ Resume' or CV to be scanned to the Graduate School at [Grad\\_School@nsula.edu](mailto:Grad_School@nsula.edu)
- ✓ Essay writing sample (must be research based paper) scanned to the Graduate School at [Grad\\_School@nsula.edu](mailto:Grad_School@nsula.edu)
- ✓ Statement of Purpose - student's reason for applying and preparation for the program; strengths & experiences that are relevant and how the program can help the student realize expectations and goals. scanned to the Graduate School at [Grad\\_School@nsula.edu](mailto:Grad_School@nsula.edu)

## **MASTER OF ARTS IN ENGLISH**

**Dr. J. Ereck Jarvis – 318.357.5586**

**[JarvisJ@nsula.edu](mailto:JarvisJ@nsula.edu)**

### **Admission**

- ✓ Regular (everything must be in and high enough)
- ✓ Requires departmental approval

### **Requirements**

- ✓ Bachelor's degree in any field from a regionally accredited college or university
- ✓ Minimum undergraduate GPA 3.0 or better
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges or universities attended
- ✓ GRE will be waived when approved for program and all other graduate school requirements have been met
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization form – Will waive, online student

### **Departmental Requirements**

- ✓ Writing Sample of not more than 15 pages demonstrating facility in analysis, argument, research and coherence. E-mail to [Grad\\_School@nsula.edu](mailto:Grad_School@nsula.edu) AND [EnglishGrads@nsula.edu](mailto:EnglishGrads@nsula.edu)
- ✓ Letter of Intent of about 500 words describing career goals and/or rationale for pursuing graduate study in English. This statement should demonstrate a substantial commitment to Graduate Study. E-Mail to [Grad\\_School@nsula.edu](mailto:Grad_School@nsula.edu) AND [EnglishGrads@nsula.edu](mailto:EnglishGrads@nsula.edu)

## **PMC – GLOBAL SECURITY INTELLIGENCE**

**Meredith Machen – 318.357.6967**

**(Dr. Tim [PardueT@nsula.edu](mailto:PardueT@nsula.edu))**

### **Admission**

- ✓ Provisional or Regular admission only
- ✓ Does NOT require departmental approval

### **Requirements**

- ✓ Bachelor's and Master's degree from a regionally accredited college or university
- ✓ Minimum undergraduate GPA of 2.5 or better
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges or universities attended
- ✓ GRE will be waived when all requirements have been met
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization form will be waived – online program

### **Departmental Requirements**

- ✓ NONE



**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN HEALTH & HUMAN  
PERFORMANCE**

Tammy Dobson – 318.357.5126  
(Dr. Mike Moulton – [MoultonM@nsula.edu](mailto:MoultonM@nsula.edu))

**Admissions**

- ✓ Regular admission only
- ✓ All requirements must be met
- ✓ Does NOT require departmental approval

**Requirements**

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA 2.5 or 2.75 in the last 60 hours of undergraduate study
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE scores with minimum of 282 on verbal plus quantitative section
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Record

**Departmental Requirements**

- ✓ NONE

## **MASTER OF SCIENCE IN HOMELAND SECURITY**

**Meredith Machen – 318.357.6967**

**(Dr. Tim [PardueT@nsula.edu](mailto:PardueT@nsula.edu))**

### **Admissions**

- ✓ Conditional or Regular admission
- ✓ Departmental approval

### **Requirements**

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA 2.5 or 2.75 in the last 60 hours of undergraduate study
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE scores – no minimum score requirement but must be taken
- ✓ Three letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Record

### **Departmental Requirements**

- ✓ Statement of Purpose – Serves as a writing sample and includes the applicant's reason for applying and preparation for the program; strengths and experiences that are relevant; and how the program can help the applicant realize expectations and goals. To be e-mailed to [Grad\\_School@nsula.edu](mailto:Grad_School@nsula.edu)
- ✓ Resume' or CV – To be e-mailed to [Grad\\_School@nsula.edu](mailto:Grad_School@nsula.edu)
- ✓ Professional training transcripts or certificates applicable to the degree

## **MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING**

**Kathy Shaw – 318.357.6144**

### **Admission**

- ✓ Provisional and Regular admission only
- ✓ Departmental approval

### **Requirements**

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.5 or better
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE scores will be waived with passing Praxis AFTER student is accepted in the MAT
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Record will be waived after acceptance, online program

### **Departmental Requirements**

- ✓ Please contact Kathy Shaw for MAT requirements

## **MASTER OF EDUCATION**

**Stephanie Smith – 318.357.6278**

### **Admission**

- ✓ Provisional, Conditional, or Regular
- ✓ Does not require departmental approval

### **Requirements**

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.5 or better
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE scores can be waived with passing Praxis
- ✓ Valid teaching certificate
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Record

### **Departmental Requirements**

- ✓ NONE

## **MASTER OF MUSIC**

**Concentration: Music Education**

**Teresa Tilley – 318.357.4522**

**(Dr. Dennette McDermott – [McDermottD@nsula.edu](mailto:McDermottD@nsula.edu))**

**Copy e-mail to [TilleyT@nsula.edu](mailto:TilleyT@nsula.edu)**

### **Admissions**

- ✓ Provisional, Conditional or Regular
- ✓ Departmental approval

### **Requirements**

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree in Music Education and teacher certification preferred, bachelor's degree in music minimum, and earned from a regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.75
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE scores must be 282 or better, OR complete an Application Portfolio
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Record

### **Departmental Requirements**

- ✓ If GRE scores are not submitted, an application portfolio must be completed for full consideration for admission. Priority deadlines: April 1st for fall admission, November 1st for spring admission.
  1. Resume/Curriculum Vita (CV); and
  2. Writing sample of not more than 15 pages demonstrating facility in analysis, argument, research, and coherence
- ✓ Letter of Intent (500 words minimum) that discusses the applicant's goals and reasons for pursuing the Master of Music with a concentration in Music Education, and how their graduate study at NSU fits into their plan; and
- ✓ Highly recommended that applicants without a valid teaching license pursue alternate certification concurrent with the Master's program.

## **MASTER OF MUSIC**

**Concentration: Music Performance**

**Teresa Tilley – 318.357.4522**

**(Dr. Dennette McDermott – [McDermottD@nsula.edu](mailto:McDermottD@nsula.edu))**

**Copy e-mail to [TilleyT@nsula.edu](mailto:TilleyT@nsula.edu)**

### **Admissions**

- ✓ Provisional, Conditional or Regular
- ✓ Departmental approval

### **Requirements**

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree in Music Performance preferred, bachelor's degree in music minimum, and earned from a regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.75
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE scores must be 282 or better, OR complete an Application Portfolio
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Record

### **Departmental Requirements**

- ✓ If GRE scores are not submitted, an application portfolio must be completed for full consideration for admission. Priority deadlines: April 1st for fall admission, November 1st for spring admission.
  1. Resume/Curriculum Vita (CV); and
  2. Letter of Intent (500 words minimum) that discusses the applicant's goals and reasons for pursuing the Master of Music degree with a concentration in Music Performance, and how their graduate study at NSU fits into their plan:
  3. Writing sample of not more than 15 pages demonstrating facility, analysis, argument, research, and coherence; and
  4. Repertoire List

## **MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING**

**Charla Bumgardner – 318.677.3131**  
**(Dr. Angela Hardy – [HardyA@nsula.edu](mailto:HardyA@nsula.edu))**

### **Admissions**

5. Regular admission only
6. Does not require departmental approval

### **Requirements**

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree in Nursing from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum undergraduate GPA of 2.5 or better or 2.75 in the last 60 hours of undergraduate study to waive GRE
- ✓ If undergraduate GPA is less than 2.5, GRE is REQUIRED and score must be 284 or better adding verbal + quantitative
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE can be waived if undergraduate GPA is 2.5 or better
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Record

### **Departmental requirements**

- ✓ Contact department

## **POST MASTERS CERTIFICATION IN NURSING**

**Charla Bumgardner – 318.677.3131**  
**(Dr. Angela Hardy – [HardyA@nsula.edu](mailto:HardyA@nsula.edu))**

### **Admission**

- ✓ Regular Admission only
- ✓ Does not require departmental approval

### **Requirements**

- ✓ Master's Degree in Nursing from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ A graduate grade point average of 3.0 or better.
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE can be waived once Master's has been verified
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Record

### **Departmental Requirements**

- ✓ Contact department



**ADD-ON CERTIFICATION IN EDUCATION AND PREP  
POST BACHELORS, POST MASTER'S IN EDUCATION AND  
ALT CERTIFICATION IN MUSIC**

**Kathy Shaw – 318.357.6144**

**Admission**

- ✓ Provisional or Regular
- ✓ Departmental Approval

**Requirements**

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.5
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE will be waived with passing Praxis once approved to program
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Record will be waived when approved to program, online

**Departmental Requirements**

- ✓ Contact department

## **MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PSYCHOLOGY**

**Helen Tousek – 318.357.6594**

**(Dr. Cynthia Lindsey – [LindseyC@nsula.edu](mailto:LindseyC@nsula.edu))**

### **Admission**

- ✓ Conditional or Regular
- ✓ Departmental approval

### **Requirements**

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ *Conditional* - GRE scores 290 with a 2.5 undergraduate GPA or 280 with a 3.0 GPA
- ✓ *Regular* – GRE scores of 290 with a 3.0 undergraduate GPA
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ Three letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Record

### **Departmental Requirement**

- ✓ Contact department

## **MASTER OF SCIENCE IN RADIOLOGIC SCIENCE**

**Eloise Chambers – 318.677.3020**  
**(Dr. Tammy Curtis – CurtisT@nsula.edu)**

### **Admission**

- ✓ Provisional, or Regular
- ✓ Does not require departmental approval

### **Requirements**

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.5 OR 2.75 in the last 60 hours of undergraduate study to be determined by department.
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE is waived for this program only
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Record

### **Departmental Requirements**

- ✓ Hold credentials in one of the medical imaging primary pathway disciplines such as Radiography, Nuclear Medicine Technology, Radiation therapy, Magnetic Resonance Imaging, or Sonography; and
- ✓ Successfully complete an undergraduate statistics or research course

**EDUCATIONAL SPECIALIST**  
**Stephanie Smith – 318.357.6812**  
**(Dr. Katrina Jordan – [JordanK@nsula.edu](mailto:JordanK@nsula.edu))**

**Admission**

- ✓ Conditional or Regular
- ✓ Does not require departmental approval

**Requirements**

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Valid teaching certificate
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.5
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE will be waived with passing Praxis or Masters degree
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Record will be waived, program is online

**Departmental Requirements**

- ✓ None

## **MASTER OF ARTS IN STUDENT AFFAIRS IN HIGHER EDUCATION**

**Stephanie Smith – 318.357.6278**

**(Dr. Paula Christensen – [Christensen@nsula.edu](mailto:Christensen@nsula.edu))**

### **Admission**

- ✓ Provisional, Conditional, or Regular
- ✓ Does not require departmental approval

### **Requirements**

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.5 or 2.75 in the last 60 hours of undergraduate study
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE scores 280 or better
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Record will be waived, online program

### **Departmental Requirements**

- ✓ Career Statement - autobiographical statement of purpose for pursuing graduate work in the Student Affairs field to be e-mailed to [Grad\\_School@nsula.edu](mailto:Grad_School@nsula.edu)
- ✓ Resume? – To be e-mailed to [Grad\\_School@nsula.edu](mailto:Grad_School@nsula.edu)

**POST BACHELORS CERTIFICATE for ENGLISH  
Teacher of English to Speakers of other Languages (TESOL)  
Writing for Business Industry and Technology (WBIT)**

**Dr. J. Ereck Jarvis – 318.357.5586**

**[JarvisJ@nsula.edu](mailto:JarvisJ@nsula.edu)**

**Admission**

- ✓ Regular admission only
- ✓ Departmental Approval

**Requirements**

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum undergraduate GPA of 2.5 or better
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities attended
- ✓ Will waive w/GRE waiver form sent with weekly letter
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization form – Will waive, online student

**Departmental Requirements**

- ✓ NONE

## **NON-DEGREE**

**Contact – Graduate School – 318.357.5851**

### **Admission**

- ✓ Provisional, Conditional or Regular
- ✓ Does not require departmental approval

### **Requirements**

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university
- ✓ Minimum GPA of 2.5
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities
- ✓ GRE will be waived w/GRE waiver form sent w/weekly letter
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ Immunization Record

### **Departmental Requirements**

- ✓ None

**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN  
COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS**

**Becky Stephens – 318.357.5162**

**Contact: Dr. Curtis Penrod – [PenrodC@nsula.edu](mailto:PenrodC@nsula.edu)**

**Admission**

- ✓ Provisional, Conditional, or Regular
- ✓ Departmental approval

**Requirements**

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree from regionally accredited college/university.
- ✓ Official transcripts from ALL colleges/universities attended
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation (no form letter)
- ✓ Immunization record waived – Online student

**Departmental Requirements**

- One of the following
  - ✓ Minimum undergraduate GPA of 3.0 (GRE/GMAT/essay waived) OR
  - ✓ Minimum Undergraduate GPA of 2.5 and one of the following:
    - GRE Score of 280 (verbal plus quantitative) or equivalent GMAT Score
    - Two to three-page essay on experience in information systems field and why student is an appropriate fit for Northwestern State Computer Information Systems program. Format should be Times New Roman, 12-point font, 1 inch margins, and APA style.
    - Certain undergraduate classes are required, student needs to contact department for advising
  - ✓ For graduate transfer students, nine earned hours with a 3.0 or higher graduate GPA from regionally accredited higher education institution