## **APPLICATION CHECKLIST**



It is the applicant's responsibility to provide complete documentation to the Office of Admissions *AND* the intended department. Failure to submit forms to the correct offices will delay application processing.

Professional and respectful treatment of our admissions and other staff members, faculty and administrators is required. Unprofessional or disrespectful treatment will result in denial of admission.

## **IMPORTANT ADDRESSES:**

Address #1: Address #2:

University of Florida Div. of Graduate Studies
Office of Admissions College of Journalism and

201 Criser Hall Communications
PO Box 114000 University of Florida
Gainesville, FL 2013 Weimer Hall
32611-4000 P. O. Box 118400

Gainesville, FL 32611-8400

If you are sending materials via FedEx, DHL, or UPS, please use the street address and do not include the P.O. Box number.

GRADUATE APPLICATION: Online Submission - When submitting application online, notify Sarah G. Lee at <a href="mailto:sglee@jou.ufl.edu">sglee@jou.ufl.edu</a> so she can be looking for it. You must submit contact information for references during online application process. References will be automatically contacted and letters of recommendation will be requested by the Graduate Admissions Office.

In the specialization field, please list one of the following areas: International Communication, Journalism, JD/MAMC, Mass Communication Law, Public Relations, Science/Health, Telecommunication, Social Media, Web Design & Online Communication, and Global Strategic Communication.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION: Three Letters of Recommendation - University forms are required (<u>Download form</u>). Written letters should be on letterhead and

attached to the forms. The same letters of recommendation may be used for both admission and financial aid applications. Ask authors of your letters of recommendation to send them directly to Address #2 or send as a pdf file to sglee@jou.ufl.edu. If you submitted your recommenders' e-mail addresses on the online application, they do not have to send hardcopies.
STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: You will need to submit your statement of purpose during the online application process. Describe your career plans following completion of your master's degree. Tell what experiences have led to your goals and how you think graduate study will help you prepare for the career. Maximum length is 500 words. <i>Please do not center text.</i> Title this document "Statement of Purpose" and be sure to include your name and date.
SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION FOR COLLEGE OF JOURNALISM: ( <u>Download form</u> ): Send to Address #2.
\$30.00 APPLICATION FEE: Make Check or money order payable to the University of Florida.  Send your application fee to Address #1. Please used Fee Payment Cover Memo (Download form) if paying by check or money order.
OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS FROM ALL POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTIONS: Contact all colleges and universities you have attended and listed on your application form and have them send certified official transcripts in your original language as well as translated into English. An average grade of "B" for the last two years of undergraduate studies is required. Send one original to Address #1 and one original to Address #2.
<b>OFFICIAL GRE (GRADUATE RECORD EXAM) SCORES:</b> Contact the Educational Testing Service and have them send your official report. A verbal score of 550/156 and a quantitative score of at least 550/146 are strongly preferred. Some applications with scores slightly below the minimum will be considered. Applications with GRE verbal scores below 400/140 will not be processed. Self-reported scores are accepted temporarily to help speed up processing. GRE scores are valid for five years. <b>Send to Address #1</b> .
RESUME: List all work positions held. Include names, addresses, and telephone numbers of supervisors. Also, remember to include your name, email address, mailing address, and telephone number(s). Send to Address #2. or as a pdf file to <a href="mailto:sglee@jou.ufl.edu">sglee@jou.ufl.edu</a> . If you submitted your resume on the online application, you do not have to send a hardcopy.
APPLICATION FOR GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIP: This is optional. This is only for those applicants seeking financial assistance ( <a href="Download form">Download form</a> ). Send to Address #2.
SAMPLES OF YOUR WORK: This is optional. Send to Address #2.



OFFICIAL TOEFL (TEST OF ENGLISH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE) SCORE REPORT: Contact the Educational Testing Service and have them send your official report. A score of at least 550 (paper-based), and 90 (internet-based) is required to be considered for admission. We also accept IELTS scores with minimum of 6. This requirement applies only to applicants from countries in which English is not the official language and include U.S. territories and protectorates where English is not the primary language. You will not be required to submit a TOEFL score if you have spent at least one academic year at a college or university in a country where English is the official language. Intensive English language programs are excluded from the year of study provision. TOEFL and IELTS scores are valid for two years. Send originals to Address #1.
CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY: All admitted International students who have accepted our admissions offer, are required to submit this form. The International Student Services Office will send you the form via email with instructions. Without it, the University of Florida will not issue an I-20 (Certificate of Eligibility). (Do not send CFR form and bank documents to our office. The International Student Services office will contact you via email with instructions.)

Contact Sarah G. Lee at <a href="mailto:sglee@jou.ufl.edu">sglee@jou.ufl.edu</a> or 352-392-6557 if you have any questions regarding your application.