ONLINE Application Tips
Teach for America Corps Members: Fall 2012

You may currently apply online. The **application deadline is Sunday, July 1** (application must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. EST July 1). We encourage you to submit your application prior to the deadline, and on a weekday between 8:30 a.m. and 5:15 p.m. (so that if you have a problem or question, we can help you)

The web address for the Georgia State University online graduate application is:
https://app.applyyourself.com/AYApplicantLogin/ApplicantConnectLogin.asp?id=casgsu

Select “College of Education,” then select your program (your two choices are listed below) by scrolling through the programs in the dropdown box (programs are listed alphabetically), and then select the “Fall 2012” term.

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<th>Department: ECE (Early Childhood Education)</th>
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<td>(you will be placed in the appropriate program after admission: either Behavior/Learning Disabilities or Multiple and Severe Disabilities Early Childhood Special Education)</td>
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Applications for Spring 2013 for the remaining MAT programs open **July 18. The deadline is Oct. 1.** You will select the “Spring 2013” term. All materials (including test scores) must be submitted by Oct. 1. Please apply early:

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Applicants will receive an automated email when they begin an application and a second email when they submit the application. **If your browser has a section for trusted sites, please enter these two URLs:**
http://app.applyyourself.com
https://app.applyyourself.com

**Pieces of the Online Application:**
You will be required to submit a statement of purpose, resume, and the names and email addresses of recommenders. Since you will be relocating to Atlanta, we recommend completing the “Citizenship Verification” section of the online application, as well. You may upload all of these requirements with the online application.

**Transcripts:**
You must submit two copies of your official transcript from each college or university you have attended. It’s often best to request transcripts prior to submitting the application, as there is a time delay involved. Mail transcripts to:

College of Education  
Georgia State University  
Office of Academic Assistance & Graduate Admissions  
P.O. Box 3977  
Atlanta, GA 30302-3977

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**GRE Scores:**
TFA applicants may be conditionally admitted pending submission of their GRE scores. Applicants must submit their GRE scores by September 30, 2012, or else they will be unable to register for classes beyond the Fall 2012 semester. Use College Code 5251 for the college code (DO NOT specify a department code) for reporting your GRE scores. The GRE GACE Basic Skills Test (for information about GACE, visit http://education.gsu.edu/oaa/3987.html)
You are required to pass all three sections (reading, writing, and mathematics) of the GACE Basic Skills Test, or qualify for exemption. **Options to Satisfy the Basic Skills Requirement:** Currently there are several ways to meet the Georgia Basic Skills assessment requirement:

**Gace Basic Skills Test, cont’d.:**

- Having the required minimum SAT, ACT, or GRE score. Actual scores, not exemption codes, are required. **SAT** - 1000 on Verbal and Math **ACT** - 43 on English and Math **GRE** - The GRE was revised in August 2011, and the scoring format has changed. Following are the required converted scores to exempt the GACE Basic Skills Requirement:
  - If tested with the old GRE format (before August 1, 2011), candidates need a GRE composite score of **1030** on Verbal and Quantitative to exempt GACE Basic Skills
  - If tested with the new GRE format (on or after August 1, 2011), candidates need a GRE composite score of **297** on Verbal and Quantitative to exempt GACE Basic Skills
  - Having a masters degree or above from a PSC-accepted accredited institution. PSC-accepted accredited institutions are those that are accredited by accrediting organizations recognized by either the U.S. Department of Education at [http://ope.ed.gov/accreditation](http://ope.ed.gov/accreditation) or The Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) at [www.chea.org](http://www.chea.org).
  - Having passed all three parts of the Praxis I or posted a composite score of 526 on the three tests **when all 3 tests are taken by March 5, 2007**.
  - Passing the three parts of the GACE Basic Skills Assessment. The passing score for each part is 220. There is no composite or combining all three tests. Each must be passed.

**We urge you to:**
1) PRINT a copy of your application when given the prompt to do so
2) save your application submission confirmation email
3) use College Code 5251 for the college code (DO NOT specify a department code) for reporting your GRE scores
4) There is a $50 application fee. You may pay with a charge card (VISA, AMEX, etc.)

**Technical Support:** If you experience any technical difficulty, please click on “Technical Support” in the online application. You will be asked to enter your email address in order to receive Online Technical Support. Your technical support request will be processed by an ApplyYourself Technical Support representative and will be responded to as quickly as possible. Be sure to be as detailed as possible in your description of the problem.

**College of Education Support:**
If you have a question about submitting your application, please contact Lashawndra Vannice (COE Admissions Coordinator) at 404-413-8004.

For complete coverage of and information about the Georgia State University programs available to Teach for America corps members, please visit the GSU/TFA website:

http://coe.gsu.edu/tnfa