GENERAL INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

Individuals who have completed a Bachelor's degree in science or engineering at an accredited university may apply for admission to graduate study at New Mexico Tech.

GRADUATE DEGREES AVAILABLE

Postgraduate Certificates

- Electrical Engineering
- Hydrology

Master of Science

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Electrical Engineering
- Environmental Engineering
- Geochemistry
- Geology
- Geophysics
- Hydrology
- Materials Engineering
- Mathematics
- Mechanical Engineering
- Mineral Engineering
- Petroleum Engineering
- Physics

Master of Science for Teachers

Masters of Engineering Management

Doctor of Philosophy

(with Fields of Specialization)

- Applied and Industrial Mathematics
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Earth & Environmental Science
- Geochemistry
- Geology
- Geophysics
- Hydrology
- Materials Engineering
- Mathematics
- Petroleum Engineering
- Physics
- Astrophysics
- Atmospheric
- Mathematical

HOUSING FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS

Housing for regular graduate students is available on-campus in dormitories, and in townhouses for students. Waiting lists for Student Family Housing are kept on a priority basis by the date of receipt of the application. Apartments and rooms off-campus are usually available within a few blocks of campus. The Housing Office maintains a list of off-campus housing.

You may obtain further information by writing directly to:

Housing Office
New Mexico Tech
Student Union Building
Socorro, New Mexico 87801 USA
APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

The Institute uses a self-managed application system. You are responsible for making arrangements for the necessary materials to be sent to the Graduate Office. Use the following information as you prepare the materials to support your application. All forms should be completed in ink (or printed/typewritten) in English. To be assured of consideration for assistantships and fellowships, completed applications must be received by February 15 for the fall semester, and by September 15 for the spring semester. To be assured of consideration for admission, completed applications must be received no later than August 1 for the fall semester and January 2 for the spring semester. To allow enough time for the admission decision and acquisition of passports and visas, international students are advised to make sure their application, supporting documents, and application fee are in the Graduate Office by April 1 (for summer and fall semester) or by October 1 (for spring semester).

1) Your application form must be complete and accurate to the best of your knowledge.

2) After you complete your Application Form, complete the information page and sent it (along with your $45 application fee if not paid by credit card online) and all supporting documents to the NMT Graduate Office. The Application Fee (check or international money order) must be made payable to: New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology. The $45.00 fee is non-refundable, and will not be waived.

3) You must provide an official copy of your transcripts for each university or college you have attended. Do not assume that any transcript is irrelevant to your areas of study. Do not open the transcripts. (Transcript envelopes that have been opened, or tampered with, will be rejected, and the application packet will be returned without processing). Order your transcripts early.

4) The Study Plan (part of the application) is your opportunity to tell the program faculty about yourself. It need not be extremely detailed, but should provide information about your areas of interest, education, and goals. The graduate department/program to which you are applying can provide more information on their expectations.

5) A minimum of three (3) letters of recommendation from three professors familiar with your academic performance are required; recommendations are to be provided on the forms provided here. You are responsible for completing the top of each form (name, program, etc.). This information assures that all materials relating to your application are easily identifiable. Completed forms are to be placed in sealed envelopes by the recommender. Instructions for Recommendation Envelopes to follow.

If you have any questions about the application procedure, contact the Graduate Office (graduate@nmt.edu).
Applicant Information Sheet

The information that you will send us by mail will need to be matched with other application materials that are submitted. The information requested below is intended to help us match these materials should we have problems and to contact you if we are missing materials from your application. Thank you.

Your name: ____________________________

Email address: __________________________

Phone Number (country code, area code, number): __________________________

Mailing address: __________________________

City, State, Postal Code: __________________________

Country: __________________________

Once your application has been marked complete and submitted, it will be reviewed by the Graduate Office when we receive your application fee. Please print this page, provide the requested information and send it, with a check or money order in the amount of $45 if your application fee was not paid online, to:

Graduate Office
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801 Leroy Place
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Date: __________________________
In the space provided below, please state the academic area in which you hope to work, your career goals, and your reasons for attending graduate school.
INSTRUCTIONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS
AND RECOMMENDATION ENVELOPES

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**Recommender:** Please enclose your signed recommendation form in the envelope provided by the applicant. Supporting letters attached to the recommendation forms provided must be presented on the official stationery of the recommender. Seal the envelope, sign it across the seal, cover your signature with transparent tape, and return it to the applicant. If you prefer, you may mail the recommendation directly to the Graduate Office. The student should provide you with a stamped, addressed envelope for that purpose.

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Information that is to appear on the Recommendation Envelope:

______________________________________________________________

Applicant's Name
(please print clearly)

New Mexico Tech Graduate Department/Program

*(Please sign on seam on back of envelope)*

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STUDENT: Fill out top portion of form and give form to your reference.

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FOR:

(Applicant for Admission to) (Department or Program) (Cert., MS, MST, MEM, PhD)

APPLICANT: Before you give this form to an instructor or other person acquainted with your qualifications for graduate work, please check and sign.

☐ hereby waive (Applicant Signature) (Date)

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I. Rate the applicant on each of the following items, using a five-point scale: 5-truly outstanding (top 10%); 4-superior; 3-above average; 2-average; 1-below average; x-inadequate knowledge to rate.

- Intellectual capacity
- Mastery of fundamental knowledge in major field
- Motivation and drive
- Scholarship
- Writing ability
- Ability in oral expression
- Ability for research
- Potential as a teaching assistant
- Emotional maturity and stability
- Self-reliance and independence

II. Please check the educational level of the representative group with whom the applicant is compared:

- College juniors
- College seniors
- First year graduate students
- Advanced graduate students

III. Briefly indicate the time period and nature of your contact with this student.

IV. How do you view this applicant's prospects for success in graduate study? Circle the appropriate description.

- Possible Masters Prospect
- Average Masters Prospect
- Strong Masters Prospect
- Possible Ph.D. Prospect
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V. Some gifted individuals have mediocre scholastic records. In your opinion, is the applicant's scholastic record an accurate index of his/her scholastic ability? Yes, No, Don't know. If your answer is "NO", please explain briefly, possibly giving consideration to the applicant's performance in independent study or in research participation programs. (You may expand on your answer in section VI.)
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# Letter of Recommendation

## Student:
Fill out top portion of form and give form to your reference.

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- [ ] hereby waive
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- Official General Graduate Record Examination (GRE) Scores
- For International Students -- Official TOEFL Scores

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- The $45.00 Non-Refundable Application Fee Made Payable to New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology, if this was not paid by credit card online.
- Signature Form
- One sealed Official Transcript from each College Attended
- Three sealed Letters of Recommendation, signed across seal.
- Other Data you may want to include

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