

Brain, Behavior & Quantitative Science (BBQ) Application Instructions

For Admissions or Application related questions:

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Before Applying

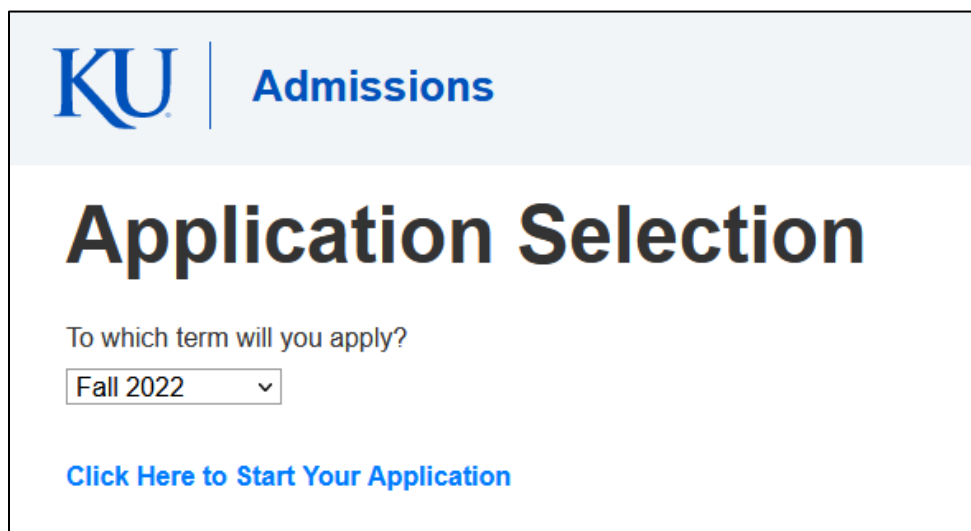
- Please prepare to provide the following items for your application:
 - Current Curriculum Vitae (C.V.) or Resume
 - Statement of Purpose
 - Three (3) names of recommenders
 - List of relevant courses completed
 - Copies of official transcripts from all institutions attended
 - Potential Advisor choice in BBQ
 - [English Proficiency Scores](#) (Non-Native English Speakers)
 - **Optional: GRE Scores**

Applying to the Program

- [Review the Selection Process for BBQ Students](#)
- Applications are accepted generally from August-December 1st for the following Fall Semester admission.

Accessing the Application

1. Navigate to the [KU Graduate Admissions webpage](#) and click “Apply”
2. Select the term for which you are applying from the dropdown menu. This will display the “Click Here to Start Your Application” link.



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Application Selection

To which term will you apply?

Fall 2022 ▾

[Click Here to Start Your Application](#)

3. Select your status of application: Returning user (Click Log in) or First-Time user (Click Create an account). If you have not submitted an application to KU before Spring 2022, you will need to create an account.



Applying to the University of Kansas

Thank you for your interest in the University of Kansas. Please follow the instructions below to begin or continue your application.

Returning users: [Log in](#) to continue an application.


First-time users: [Create an account](#) to start a new application.

If you encounter issues creating an account or logging into your existing account, please contact us:

Lawrence/Edwards Campuses
graduateadm@ku.edu
785-864-3140

KU Medical Center
kumcadmissions@kumc.edu
913-945-7347

4. Once you have created an account, you may login to the application using your chosen email address and password.



Login

To log in, please enter your email address and password.

Email Address

Password [Forgot Your Password?](#)

Login

5. Once logged in, you will have the option of Starting a New Application or continuing work on a previous application. To open a previous application, click the title of the application.

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Your Applications	
Type	Status
You have started 3 applications using this account.	
Lawrence/Edwards Graduate Application Art (MFA) (Fall 2022)	In Progress
Lawrence/Edwards Graduate Application Psychology (MA/PhD) (Fall 2022)	In Progress
Lawrence/Edwards Graduate Application Psychology (MA/PhD) (Fall 2021)	Awaiting Payment

[Start New Application](#)

6. When selecting “Start New Application” you will be prompted to confirm. Select Create Application from the pop-up to continue.

Start New Application

Select your application year.
2022

Lawrence/Edwards Graduate Application

Create Application Cancel

7. Once you select “Create Application” an application will be made and another pop-up will display. From this pop-up you can select “Open Application.”

Application Details

Started 09/20/2021
Status In Progress
2022
Lawrence/Edwards Graduate Application

Open Application Cancel

8. This will open the application and you can begin completing your information or start where you ended your last session. Complete your information completely.
9. Once you navigate to the Program Information section of the application, you will need to select your Academic Intention, Academic Area of Interest, Academic Program, and Entry Term. Your screen should appear similar to the screenshot below.

Home

Personal Background

Student Details

Graduate Program Information

Entry Term

SBS Supplement

Academic History

Additional Information

Statement of Purpose

Application Deadline Info

Signature

Review

Graduate Program Information

To learn more about our programs and their deadlines, location offerings, and available terms, please [visit this page](#).

*** Denotes required field**

Are you applying to an online program? *

Yes

No

At which location do you intend to take the majority of your coursework? *

Lawrence (Main Campus)

Overland Park (Edwards Campus)

Leavenworth

Pittsburg

Academic Intention *

Academic Area of Interest *

Programs are listed under broad Academic Area of Interest categories. If you are unable to find your program, try looking in one of the areas of interest with the largest number of program offerings: Humanities and International Studies, Natural Sciences and Mathematics, or Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Academic Program *

Please note: this Psychology option is for the following areas of study:

- Brain, Behavioral, and Quantitative Science Psychology
- Clinical Health Psychology
- Clinical Psychology
- Social Psychology

If you are applying to Behavioral Psychology, Clinical Child Psychology, Counseling Psychology, or School Psychology, please re-select that program from the program list above.

Continue

10. If you are interested in being nominated for a fellowship or scholarship, please be sure to select “Yes” for this question under Additional Information.

Are you interested in being nominated by your department for a fellowship or scholarship?

Yes

No

11. Complete the remaining sections of the application. If you need to leave the application for any reason, make sure you choose “Save for Later” at the end of the application to return to the “Home” screen.

BBQ Process for Selection of Graduate Students October 1, 2021

Currently, an application consists of the following information:

- Information on the application
- List of academic honors, election to honorary societies, distinctions, scholarships, fellowships, publications, professional society memberships.
- List of relevant courses taken.
- Curriculum Vitae
- Statement of Purpose
- Undergraduate and where appropriate graduate transcripts
- GRE Scores (optional for 2021)
- TOEFEL Scores (for international students)
- 3 Names of people who can write letters of recommendation
- Identified potential advisor in BBQ

We will use a five-step process to identify applications to extend an offer to. The process will be steered by a BBQ graduate student selection committee made up of 2 BBQ faculty members and 1 BBQ graduate students. At all stages the BBQ will use a holistic process to evaluate candidates. At each stage, applicants will be rated on a 5-point scale:

1. ***An outstanding prospect.*** There is little chance that we could do any better.
2. ***A very good prospect.*** I would have no objection to having an offer made to this candidate.
3. ***A good prospect.*** Probably a more than adequate prospect, but I have one or more reservations, as noted in the comments section.
4. ***A fair prospect.*** There are one or more reservations regarding this individual which should be addressed before extending an offer to this person. (Please specify reservation(s) in comments section.)
5. ***A poor prospect.*** There are solid grounds for rejecting the candidate as noted below in the comments section.

Selection Process

Stage 1:

- 2 or 3 faculty and 1 graduate student evaluate the candidates on the following materials: list of relevant courses taken, curriculum vitae, statement of purpose, and undergraduate where appropriate graduate statistics.
- Each evaluation will be done holistically and done blinded, to the extent possible, to name, gender, race, ethnicity, and affiliation.
- The goal is to rule any applicant in that anyone on the committee judges suitable for a shortlist.

Stage 2:

- Then all BBQ faculty will be shown the entire list of applicants and ask to approve the list. If any objections are raised about an application excluded from the short list that application will be moved to the short list. The BBQ Faculty will use the same material from Stage 1 to make this determination.

Stage 3

- At the short list stage, we will contact the people identified for letters of recommendation and ask for them to submit them.
- Then the identified BBQ advisor, 1 additional BBQ faculty member, and 1 graduate student will conduct a structured phone interview of the applicant. When possible, a common faculty member will be present across all phone interviews. The interview will focus on evaluating the applicant in terms of knowledge, skills, fit, potential, and motivation.
- The phone interview committee will rate the candidate again based on the interview and application including letters of recommendation. The phone interview committee will make a recommendation for an in-person interview or not.

Stage 4

- Students invited for an in-person interview will be invited for an on-campus interview to meet with all the BBQ faculty, graduate students.
- Each person will rate the applicant a final time.
- In case on-campus interviews are not possible, alternative live phone interviews will be arranged.

Stage 5

- Final decisions will be made in consultation of the ratings, the identified advisor, and the BBQ graduate student selection committee.