

Carnegie Mellon

Department of History

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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15213-3890
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**Application for Admission
to Graduate Study in
History,
Fall 2010**

Note: The application deadline (postmark) is January 5.

Application Information

Please type or print in ink. (Return application to DIRECTOR OF GRADUATE STUDIES, DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY, CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY, PITTSBURGH, PA 15213.)

Please check to see that you submit the following as part of your application:

1. **Application for Admission** form.

2. **Samples of your writing** (e.g., research papers, theses, or critical review essays) that reflect the kinds of analytic skills employed in historical research. The Admissions Committee places particular emphasis on these samples as part of your application. If you have questions about which materials to submit please address them to the Director of Graduate Studies. This sample will be returned if accompanied by a pre-stamped, self-addressed envelope.

3. **Professional Statement:** On a separate sheet of paper, in a 300- to 750-word essay, address such questions as: Why do you wish to do graduate work in history? What sorts of questions do you imagine addressing as a historian? What attracts you to the Carnegie Mellon graduate history program? What are your major career goals after completing study at Carnegie Mellon University?

4. **Official transcripts** of your college record (undergraduate and any graduate work). If you are still in attendance, the proposed program of the final semester or year should be attached to the application form. If admitted, you will be required to submit an official transcript at the completion of your degree program.

5. **Letters of recommendation** from **three** of your professors or others familiar with your work, including at least one professor from the institution you last attended. (PLEASE ASK YOUR REFEREES TO WRITE DIRECTLY TO THE DIRECTOR OF GRADUATE STUDIES, DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY, ON THE FORMS PROVIDED WITH THE APPLICATION.)

6. **Statement of financial need:** Applicants who require financial aid should so indicate in a letter accompanying the application. Please state how much of the estimated expenses (\$54,041 of which \$33,810 is tuition) for the academic year 2010-2011 you can pay out of your own resources. Also indicate how much you can pay for three subsequent years of study.

7. **Graduate Record Examination** (GRE) scores on the verbal, analytic, and quantitative exams are used as only one of many pieces of data upon which we base our admission decisions. Foreign students who are not native English speakers must take and submit TOEFL scores.

Contact Education Testing Service directly at <http://www.ets.org>.

8. **Application fee:** An application fee of \$35 (U.S.) by check or money order (made out to Carnegie Mellon University). Your application will not be complete until your check or money order clears.

NOTE: Applications and supplementary materials should be submitted **as early as possible** in the fall preceding admission, but, in any event, **no later than January 5**. Notifications of decisions on applications for admission and financial aid are ordinarily sent out in March.

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General Information

Name _____
Last First Middle/Maiden

Social Security # _____

Permanent Address:

Street & Apt #

City, State, Zip

Country

Telephone

E-mail Address (if applicable)

Current Address:

Street & Apt. #

City, State, Zip

Country

Telephone

E-mail Address (if applicable)

Is Financial Aid requested? _____

Have you completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form? _____ [available at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>]

Have you completed CMU's Graduate Financial Aid application form? _____ [available at <http://www.cmu.edu:8001/hub/pdf/0405app.pdf> or by mail from Enrollment Services, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA 15213-3890, 412-268-8186]

Date GRE was taken or will be taken _____

Scores (if known)

Verbal _____

Analytic _____

Quantitative _____

Date TOEFL was taken or will be taken _____

Total Score _____

Optional Information

The following information is optional and will in no way be used to determine admission.

Birth date _____ Birthplace _____ Citizenship _____
M/D/Y

Ethnicity

_____ American Indian or Alaska Native

_____ African American

_____ White (Other than Hispanic)

_____ Asian or Pacific Islander

_____ Hispanic, Latino, Mexican American, Puerto Rican

Education

List all colleges attended whether or not credit was obtained. **Please have official transcripts forwarded to Director of Graduate Studies, Department of History, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA 15213-3890.** If you are still in attendance, the proposed program of the final semester or year should also be submitted.

Name and Location	Dates of Attendance	Major/Minor Fields	Degree	Date Received

If you have ever applied for admission to Carnegie Mellon University, please indicate for what program.

_____ When? _____

Foreign Languages

Languages	Writing				Reading				Speaking			
	excellent	good	fair	poor	excellent	good	fair	poor	excellent	good	fair	poor
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Quantitative Skills (e.g., statistics, econometrics, database)

Work Experience

Names and Addresses of Employers

Nature of Work

Dates Employed

Writing Samples

Titles of writing samples submitted:

References

List the three persons writing letters of recommendation for you. Letters are to be sent directly to Director of Graduate Studies, Department of History, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA, 15213-3890.

Name	Position	Institution
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Certification

I declare that my professional statement and writing samples submitted for the application are my own work and that all the information in my application is to the best of my knowledge correct.

Date _____ Signature _____

I agree that if I become a graduate student at Carnegie Mellon University and spend substantially full time in any combination of study, research, and teaching, I shall abide by the conditions stipulated in the "Intellectual Property Policy" adopted by the Executive Committee of the Trustees on August 27, 1985. (A copy of this policy may be obtained from the Department of History, or it can be accessed on the World Wide Web at http://gollum.mac.cc.cmu.edu/univ_policy/documents/IntellProp.html).

Date _____ Signature _____

Notice: Federal law (Crime Awareness & Campus Security Act of 1990, 20 U.S.C. section 2502-1, et seq.) and state law (Pennsylvania College & University Security Information act, 24 P.S. Section 2502-1, et seq.) require colleges and universities to inform ALL UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE APPLICANTS of campus security statistics and policies concerning campus security. Carnegie Mellon University publishes an annual campus security report describing the university's security, alcohol and drug, and sexual assault policies and containing statistics about the number and type of crimes committed on the campus during the preceding three years. You can obtain a copy by contacting the Carnegie Mellon Police Department at 412-268-2323. The security report is available through the World Wide Web at <http://www.cmu.edu/security>.

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Part B

Please give your candid appraisal of this applicant's, academic promise, noting any special talents or weaknesses of a professional or personal nature that might relate to the applicant's potential for success in a Ph.D. program in history. (Feel free to use your own letterhead or a separate sheet if you desire.)

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