

APPLICANT DEFERRALS

GRADUATE PROGRAMS:

New Application Deferrals

If your graduate program is aware that an applicant wants to defer admission, you should submit a new appraisal form with the term changed and new submit date. If the Graduate Admissions Office needs a new fee, we will write to the applicant. We also need to be notified of any address changes, including email addresses.

If your program has been contacted by an applicant wishing to defer, but your program wants to review the application again, please send the Admissions Office notification from the applicant and we will write for any missing materials before we make the file available for your review.

Deferrals within one year will not require an additional application fee. For applicants deferring one year or beyond, an application fee is assessed in most cases.

Change of Status Deferrals

Since the change of status process does not have an online appraisal form, the Graduate Admissions Office will need an email from your program approving the change or readmission. If the program needs to see the application again, please send us the notification from the student and we will send you the change of status file.

INSTRUCTIONS for APPLICANTS:

Deferral Process

After receiving your notice of admission, you should first inform your academic program of your intention to defer. Please be aware that the program might not approve your deferral.

After contacting your program, you should contact the Graduate School Admissions Office either by phone or email to inform us of your decision and provide the following information:

1. Updated contact information (including mail and email addresses)
2. New date of entry
3. If you have registered at a different institution since applying for admission to the University of Minnesota, please provide the name of the institution and dates of attendance. You will also be required to submit additional transcripts reflecting any coursework since you last applied.

You must enter the SAME program to which you originally were admitted. If you wish to enter a different program, you must complete a new application.

Please be aware that a new application fee will likely be needed if you are deferring for a year or longer.

Additional information for International Students:

If you are an international student and will be deferring your admission, please send an email to gsquest@umn.edu answering all of the following questions that may apply:

1. If you are currently in the United States, what type of visa do you have?
2. What was the month and year you entered the country?
3. If you are currently on a student visa, what is the name of the institution that issued you the I-20 form?
4. Did you attend the institution that provided the I-20 form?

If you have further questions or concerns regarding the deferral process, please contact the Graduate School Admissions Office at **612-625-3014** or gsquest@umn.edu.