Application Checklist

Application deadlines:
1 January for the PhD and MA programs
1 February for the MFA program
20 April and 15 November for MA in English Studies program

Applications for admission to the Graduate School will be processed as soon as all application materials have been received. Please note that applications will be recorded as complete on the Graduate School’s website only after the student is accepted by the Department of English. All materials not included in your online application should be sent to Graduate Studies in English at the following address: Director of Graduate Studies, Department of English: MC 4503, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Carbondale, IL 62901. Below is a checklist of these materials.

1) Application to the Graduate School (available at: http://gradschool.siu.edu/applygrad/)

2) Official transcripts from colleges and universities attended. (All transcripts are required for fellowship applicants and must have latest grades available by the fellowship application deadline.) Transcripts must be sent by colleges and universities directly to Graduate Studies in English. Please request that schools send additional transcripts if necessary so that the very latest grades and degrees posted are available as soon as possible.

3) Curriculum Vitae

4) Statement of Purpose (Guidelines at: http://cola.siu.edu/english/graduate/apply.php).

5) Writing Sample (Guidelines at: http://cola.siu.edu/english/graduate/apply.php).

6) Three Letters of Recommendation (at least two from professors)

7) Application for Graduate Assistantship, Departmental Record Form, Policy on the Collection and Use of Social Security Numbers (http://cola.siu.edu/english/graduate/apply.php). Please send these documents directly to the Director of Graduate Studies in the Department of English, either as filled PDFs or in hard copy to the following address:

   Director of Graduate Studies
   Department of English: MC 4503
   Southern Illinois University, Carbondale
   Carbondale, IL 62901

8) GRE scores directed to Graduate Studies in English (School code is 1726 and Department code is 2501). General test scores are required for PhD and MA applicants; strongly advised for MFA applicants.

9) Non-refundable $65 application fee (payable to Southern Illinois University)