

GRADUATE BRIDGE PROGRAM

Advancing
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CHATHAM UNIVERSITY

Founded in 1869, Chatham University is a coed university with a women's college as its historic heart. Chatham University provides students with a solid education built upon strong academics, public leadership and global perception. Chatham's 35-acre arboretum campus is located in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The University's 2,000 students have easy access to Pittsburgh's dynamic career, cultural, and entertainment opportunities and can share in the educational and social offerings of the other nine area universities such as the University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Mellon University.

The University houses three distinctive Colleges: **Chatham College for Women** is one of the nation's oldest colleges for women. The **College for Graduate Studies** offers women and men both masters and doctoral programs. The **College for Continuing and Professional Studies** provides online and hybrid undergraduate and graduate degree programs for women and men.

The Chatham Graduate Bridge Program is an exciting program designed to provide English language instruction to international graduate students who require additional academic support. International students who apply to Chatham University and are accepted but have not achieved the necessary minimum TOEFL score of 600 (100 internet-based) or 6.5 IELTS will be required to enroll in a one-credit language support course. In order to participate in the Graduate Bridge Program students must have received a minimum TOEFL score of 550 (85 on the internet-based test) or 5.5 IELTS. Please note, TOEFL scores are only valid for two years from the test date.

STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATE IN THE GRADUATE BRIDGE PROGRAM WILL RECEIVE:

- Support in spoken and written English
- Daily interactions with English speaking students and instructors
- Benefit from the personalized, nurturing environment of Chatham University
- Academic support to facilitate understanding of conversations, lectures, and classroom discussions
- Low student /teacher ratios (approximately 6:1)
- Opportunity to pursue graduate degree while benefiting from additional language support

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Students who enroll through the Bridge Program will be limited to 7 credits (2 classes in the program of study) and a 1-credit language support class during the first term of study.
- Upon completion of the first semester of study students will be evaluated by the course instructor and graduate program director to determine whether additional Bridge classes will be required. Students may complete a maximum of 12 credit hours in major courses while enrolled in the bridge program.
- Students do not need to apply separately to the Bridge Program. Students required to participate will be notified upon acceptance to Chatham's College for Graduate Studies.
- Students accepted into the Graduate Bridge Program will be required to arrive on campus one week prior to the first day of classes.
- Chatham University offers a limited number of furnished on-campus apartments for graduate students. For more information, please visit www.chatham.edu/studentlife/resident_gradhousing.cfm, e-mail reslife@chatham.edu, or call 1-412-365-1518.

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