Admission of Students with Three-Year Bachelor’s Degrees

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5040.1 General Policy

Admission to graduate school normally requires completion of a four-year baccalaureate degree. However, students who have earned a three-year bachelor's degree may be eligible for admission to graduate status without evidence of additional work beyond the three-year degree. In order to meet admission requirements, three-year programs must meet the standards of regionally accredited four-year degree programs in the United States. Wright State International Admissions, working with the Graduate School, will determine equivalency. In general, students who have done at least one year of post-graduate work beyond the three-year bachelor's degree, or students with three-year degrees who did their primary and secondary education in Bologna Process/European Higher Education Area countries, will be considered eligible for admission, as will students who have earned bachelor's degrees from institutions determined to meet the standards of regionally accredited four-year degree programs in the United States. Students with three-year degrees that do not meet the above criteria may be eligible for admission if the students complete a minimum of thirty semester hours of additional course work as determined by a graduate program or the Graduate School. All international students must also meet English proficiency requirements per WSU Policy 5070.3.