**Delta State University**

**ADMISSION TO THE DOCTORAL PROGRAM**

For additional details on admission, the student should refer to the current Graduate Catalog.

Students desiring to enter the doctoral program will be admitted on the following conditions:

* Submission of an application
* Fulfillment of Admission Criteria 1-3

Students desiring to enter the doctoral program will be admitted on admission criteria that will be reviewed by members and constituents of the DACC. Admission point ratings will be awarded in each of the following areas: 1) Graduate Record Exam (GRE); 2) Grade Point Average (GPA) on graduate coursework; and 3) Portfolio/Structure interview. Specific point rating on each of these criteria is as follows:

**Criterion 1** Graduate Record Examination; Points earned in all three subtests will be added to give a GRE rating.

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| **Verbal Subtest** | **Quantitative Subtest** |
| **Old Scale** | **New Scale** | **Points** | **Old Scale** | **New Scale** | **Points** |
| 570 + | **159 +** | **5** | 745 + | **160 +** | **5** |
| 470 – 569 | **152 – 158** | **4** | 650 – 744 | **152 – 159** | **4** |
| 385 – 469  | **146 – 151** | **3** | 550 – 649 | **147 – 151** | **3** |
| 340 – 384 | **143 – 145** | **2** | 470 – 549 | **143 – 146** | **2** |
| 290 – 339  | **137 – 142** | **1** | 360 – 469 | **139 – 142** | **1** |
| 0 – 289 | **130 – 135** | **0** | 0 – 359 | **131 – 138** | **0** |

**Criterion 2** A writing score of at least 3.0 on either the GRE writing examination or the CAAP writing examination

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| **Writing****Assessment** |
| **Score** | **Points** |
| **5.25 – 6.0** | **5** |
| **4.25 – 5.0** | **4** |
| **3.25 – 4.0** | **3** |
| **3.0 – 3.25** | **2** |
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No points will be awarded for a writing score that is less than 3.0. A minimum of 3 points is required on the writing subsection to progress to Criterion 3.

**Criterion 3** Grade Point Average on all graduate work completed

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| **GPA** | **Points** |
| 3.66 – 4.00 | **5** |
| 3.56 – 3.65 | **4** |
| 3.46 – 3.55 | **3** |
| 3.36 – 3.45 | **2** |
| 3.25 – 3.35 | **1** |

No points will be awarded for a graduate GPA less than 3.25

**NOTE: A student must accumulate a total score of at least 10 points on Criterion 1 and 2 before advancing to Criterion 3.**

**Criterion 4 Portfolio/Structured Interview –** Each student will be required to develop an entrance portfolio and submit the original copy to the coordinator of the Doctoral Program. An interview may be scheduled which would be track specific and further clarify portions of the portfolio requiring follow-up. The applicant will be notified by the Track Coordinator in a timely manner regarding the data of the interview and how to prepare. Portfolio guidelines and the rubric used to evaluate submitted portfolios are located on the COEHS website.

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| **Portfolio Rating** | **Points** |
| Exceptional – 3.0 | **5** |
| Superior – 2.5 | **4** |
| Competent – 2.0 | **3** |

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