

ELIGIBILITY

In order to attain full classified graduate standing (full admission) students must:

- Hold an acceptable baccalaureate degree from an institution accredited by a regional accrediting association.
- Have official standardized test scores for admission (GRE, GMAT, or MAT) on file with the university, if required.
- Maintain a minimum 3.0 postbaccalaureate cumulative grade point average.
- Complete all conditions for achieving classified standing (full admission). Conditions for achieving classified graduate standing to a graduate program must be fulfilled by the semester in which a maximum of one-third of the units to be used toward the graduate degree (10 units on a 30-unit program) are completed.
- Complete all prerequisite coursework.
- Satisfactorily demonstrate professional, personal, and scholastic competence, or satisfy other criteria stated by the program as necessary for full admission into a graduate program. This includes the semesters in which prerequisite coursework is being completed.

REGULATIONS

- A student should be classified by the semester in which a maximum of one-third of the units to be used toward the graduate degree are completed. Not more than one-third of the program units (including transfer and postbaccalaureate credit) completed before achieving full classified graduate standing at California State University, Fresno may be listed on the *Petition of Advancement to Candidacy* form. 60-unit programs allow completion of 20 units prior to classification, with the exception of Clinical Rehabilitation and Mental Health Counseling.
- Failure to attain classified graduate standing in a timely manner may result in the loss of units to be applied toward the degree. Units completed prior to classification in excess of one-third of the program units may not be listed on the *Petition of Advancement to Candidacy* form.

PROCESS

- This form is to be processed and approved by the Graduate Program Coordinator/Director.
- Classified graduate standing may be granted in the same semester that all conditions have been completed in. Courses taken during the semester in which a student is classified may be listed on the *Petition of Advancement to Candidacy* form.

Please return the completed Classified Graduate Standing Request form to the Division of Research and Graduate Studies office, Frank W. Thomas Building, Room 130, M/S TA51.