CLASSIFICATION OF STUDENTS

Students are admitted to graduate study under one of the following classifications:

Regular graduate student. A prospective candidate for a degree whose undergraduate record and examination scores indicate a strong possibility of success in graduate study. An applicant is admitted upon the recommendation of the appropriate graduate program director.

Provisional student. A prospective candidate for a degree who does not satisfy full admission requirements will be classified in this category under conditions specified by the appropriate graduate program director. A student initiating graduate work under this classification may continue in a degree program when the conditions specified at the time of admission have been met and the student has been reclassified. **The provisional category does not apply to EdS programs or international students in F-1 status.**

Transient student. A student in good academic standing in a recognized graduate program at another institution. An applicant must submit an application, application fee, an official copy of undergraduate transcripts and a statement from the registrar at the home institution certifying good academic standing. Transient students may enroll for one term. The director of admissions will consider additional semesters on a case-by-case basis.

Audit student. An applicant who wishes to audit courses is required to submit an application for admission, the application fee, and a transcript showing that a baccalaureate degree has been earned. Audit students must pay all regular fees. Credit will not be granted at a later time for courses in which a graduate student was registered as an audit student.

Non-Degree. Non-degree students seeking re-certification, endorsement, or professional development must also meet the following academic standing requirements. Students classified as non-degree cannot use these credits toward any degree at Columbus State University unless previously approved by the appropriate graduate program director.