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- VCU Graduate School online application
- Master’s degree in appropriate discipline
- Transcripts from previous academic work
- Satisfactory GRE score
- Statement of intent
- Three letters of recommendation
- Resume or CV with academic and work history
- A personal interview is required

Application deadline: January 15

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