



Lewis University



Location

Lewis University is located in **Romeoville, Illinois**.

University Highlights

Lewis University is a private institution that offers an extensive range of over **100 degree options** (graduate and undergraduate) and maintains "**international-friendly admission and enrollment processes**".

The university has been recognized in national rankings:

- **Ranked #13** among **Regional Universities Midwest** by the U.S. News & World Report.
- Lewis is dedicated to providing strong support for its international student community, including assistance with immigration, visas/I-20s, orientation, and housing.
- Academic **scholarships are available** (up to ~40% via Shorelight), alongside financial aid and assistantships for graduate students.

Program Offering and Important Dates

Lewis University offers numerous **graduate programs**. These include:

- Business (MBA, Analytics, Finance).
- Computer Science.
- Engineering.
- Data Science.
- Nursing, Education, Occupational Therapy, and Speech-Language Pathology.
- Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT).

The graduate application process includes choices for **Spring and Fall terms**.

Term	Application Deadline (via Shorelight)
Spring 2026	November 1, 2025
Fall 2026 UG	July 1, 2025
Fall 2026 PG	June 1, 2025

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Please note that some specialized graduate programs, such as **Occupational Therapy (OT)**, **Speech-Language Pathology**, and **Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)**, require applications through **centralized application services** (OTCAS, CSDCAS, PTCAS) rather than directly through Lewis's process. Deadlines for these programs may vary.

Reference Admission Requirementst

The following are general reference requirements for graduate applications; specific and detailed requirements should always be verified on the official university website.

- **Graduate Application:** Applicants must complete Lewis University's graduate online application.
- **Bachelor's Degree Transcripts:** Official transcripts from the bachelor's degree are required. If the degree is from outside the USA, an evaluation/equivalency of the transcripts is mandatory.
- **English Proficiency Test:** Acceptable exams include TOEFL, IELTS, PTE, and Duolingo. Minimum score requirements typically are:
 - **TOEFL iBT:** ~79.
 - **IELTS:** ~6.5.
 - **PTE:** 52.
 - **Duolingo:** 105.*Note: Some programs may require higher scores.*
- **Statement of Purpose / Essay:** Required.
- **Letters of Recommendation:** Usually two letters are required.
- **Resume / CV:** Required.
- **Copy of Passport:** Required to verify identity.
- **Financial Documentation:** Affidavit and Support documentation is required to demonstrate the ability to cover tuition and living costs for at least one academic year for the visa/I-20 process.



Estimated Tuition and Cost

- The **graduate tuition** is calculated **per credit hour** and varies by program.
- For programs like **Business (MBA, Analytics, Finance), Computer Science, Data Science, and Cybersecurity**, the tuition is approximately **US\$860 per credit hour**.
 - For programs such as **Nursing, Healthcare Information Management, and Occupational Therapy**, tuition is generally in the range of **US\$820 to US\$860** per credit hour.
 - For example, the **Master of Science in Occupational Therapy (MSOT)** program has an estimated yearly tuition, fees, and books of approximately US\$61,500 for the coursework (75 credits total), with the full program cost estimated at ~US\$69,745 including supplies.
 - **Additional Fees** typically include a graduate student services fee, a student services fee, and international student insurance.
 - **Living / Indirect Costs** Costs for housing, meals, transportation, books, and supplies are extra and depend on the student's choices and location. For the MSOT program, for instance, books/supplies are estimated at ~US\$5,295.

The Application Guidance: Through the Shorelight Admissions Portal

The application process involves a few key steps through the Shorelight portal

STEP 1 | Submit Application via Shorelight Portal

- **Review and Preparation:** Review the Shorelight Lewis University page for available graduate programs, intakes, and deadlines. Contact a Shorelight advisor for any program-specific requirements.
- **Create Account & Select Program:** Create a Shorelight account, then select Lewis University (Graduate), your desired program, and the correct intake term.
- **Prepare and Upload Documents:** Prepare and upload all required documents, which include a passport copy, official bachelor's transcripts and degree certificate (with certified English translations), Resume/CV, Statement of Purpose (SOP), Letters of Recommendation (if required by the program), English proficiency scores, and Proof of Funds (bank statement + affidavit of support).
- **Credential Evaluation:** If you have foreign transcripts, a Credential Evaluation (WES/ECE/etc.) may be required, so it's advised to order this early.
- **Submission:** Submit the application via the Shorelight portal; a Shorelight advisor will review it and forward it to Lewis Admissions.

STEP 2 | The School Admissions Process

After submitting the complete application, it will be forwarded to the school admissions office. The applicant will receive a notification in the Shorelight portal and an email from the university with further instructions. The applicant should follow the subsequent steps and requirements provided by the school.

Important Notes

- **Centralized Portals:** Remember that some specific programs utilize external centralized application portals (e.g., OTCAS, CSDCAS, PTCAS), which will involve different timelines and requirements.
- **Application Fee:** No information on an application fee was provided in the source documents.



Official Contacts

Lewis University and Shorelight maintain separate contacts for pre- and post-submission inquiries.

For Admissions Questions Before Submitting to the Shorelight Portal

Please contact the appropriate email address for your region:
North Asia (China, Korea, Japan, etc.) and Southeast Asia:

Alina.wan@shorelight.com

South Asia (India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, etc.), Middle East, Africa, and Europe:

tissa.chandrasekera@shorelight.com

• North America, Latin America, and Vietnam:

linh.nguyen@shorelight.com

For Questions After Submitting to the Shorelight Portal

It is highly recommended that you contact the corresponding Admissions Officer directly through the Portal Chat for any questions.

You may also contact the **School Email**:

admission@lewisu.edu