

Applicant Name _____

Submitting School _____

- A completed and signed Application.
- A Statement of Purpose up to three pages long (double spaced) which considers the relationship between your graduate level study and your intended personal and/or professional goals. Your Statement of Purpose must include a 10-15 line abstract at the top (included in the three pages) that explains, in **LAYMAN'S** terms, the essence of your proposed topic of study or dissertation, the methodology of its treatment and its anticipated impact on your field of study.
- Letter of Recommendation from Dean of Graduate School or Department Chair
- Letters of Recommendation from at least two professors who have taught or worked closely with you.
- One copy of your personal vitae or résumé.
- Certified copies of all undergraduate and graduate transcripts to date, including your UMD Graduate transcript.
- Official copies of graduate exam test scores (if applicable*).
- Financial Aid information from the University or other applicable source.
- Copies of Federal Income Tax Returns for the prior two years (including spouse's returns, if applicable*).

**** If any of the documents above are not applicable, please include a statement in its place in the application packet that explains why the item is not applicable.***