Graduate Programs

Charles E. Schmidt College of Science
Degree: Doctor in Philosophy (Ph.D.)
Major: Complex Systems and Brain Sciences

Research Areas: Behavioral Neuroscience, Cognitive Neuroscience, Nonlinear Dynamical Systems, Perception & Memory

Application Deadlines
Domestic Students
Fall (only): December 1
No Spring semester acceptance
No Summer semester acceptance

International Students
Fall (only): December 1
No Spring semester acceptance
No Summer semester acceptance

Admission Requirements

Domestic Students
• Undergraduate GPA 3.0 from regionally accredited college or university
• Graduate GPA of 3.0
• GRE is required; minimum test score of 155 on the Quantitative Reasoning section
• Three letters of recommendation

International Students
• Undergraduate GPA 3.0 from regionally accredited college or university
• Graduate GPA of 3.0
• GRE is required; minimum test score of 155 on the Quantitative Reasoning section
• Three letters of recommendation
• A general evaluation of international transcripts is required; FAU will do the evaluation or it must be done by a NACES member
• TOEFL score of 500 or IBT of 61; IELTS 6.0; Duolingo 90

Important information about applying to Graduate School:

✓ Official Transcripts: Official Transcripts and/or Official Foreign Credential Evaluations must be received from each college or university attended. For more information on how to send transcripts, please visit our website.

✓ Supporting documentation: Supplemental documents should be uploaded as separate files as part of the online graduate application. NOTE: You will not be able to submit your application until all the supplemental materials are uploaded.

✓ Conduct: A "yes" answer to either of the conduct questions on the online application will require a written explanation. Additional information may be requested when your application is under review. Applications will not be fully processed until all conduct issues are cleared.

✓ Application status: Once your application has been submitted, you can check your application status online to ensure transcripts and test scores have been received.

✓ Residency classification: Your residency classification automatically defaults to non-Florida. After you are admitted, the residency officer will request additional documents by email if needed.