	Autonomous organization of education Nazarbayev University	
NAZARBAYEV UNIVERSITY	**Approving body:**	Academic Council
Minimum admission requirements and Application package checklist for the Master of Science in Educational leadership and Master of Arts in Multilingual Education programs of the Graduate School of Education		
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1. Admission requirements:

1) an undergraduate degree (Bachelor's degree or equivalent) and a graduate degree (if applicable) in a relevant discipline. During the application period final year students may submit official current transcript for consideration. Applicants recommended for admission must provide final transcripts and diplomas before the end of the Program's enrollment term. Graduates of Nazarbayev University are enrolled based on the evidence of final transcript confirming the degree completion followed by diploma submission within a month;

2) a minimum CGPA of 2.75 out of 4.00 or equivalent on applicant's degree (bachelor, master or PhD (if masters and PhD have adopted a GPA approach);

3) the absolute minimum requirement for English language proficiency test reports for admission to the Programs is an overall IELTS test score of 6.5 (with sub-score requirements no less than 6.0), or the equivalent TOEFL (except Home edition) score as posted on the ETS website*;

4) the absolute minimum requirement for an English language proficiency test report for conditional admission to NUZYP is an overall IELTS test score of 5.5, with no more than one sub-score of 5.0, or the equivalent TOEFL (except Home edition) scores as posted on the ETS website.

5) 1 (one) year of work experience in a relevant field. At the discretion of the Admissions Committee applicants with less than 1 year work experience may also be considered;

6) high level of motivation and strong interest in the Program outlined in a personal statement;

7) GRE test (recommended). Although an official GRE score is not an essential requirement, an applicant can enhance his/her application with a competitive GRE score;

8) 2 (two) confidential letters of recommendation;

9) a curriculum vitae (up to 2 pages).

*Applicants to the Programs, at the discretion of the Admissions Committee, can be exempted from submitting the language proficiency test report if:

1)   one of their earlier academic degrees was earned in a country with English as the language of official communication, academic instruction and daily life;

2)   an undergraduate or graduate degree was earned in a program which was officially taught in English. Applicants must provide an official document confirming English as the language of instruction;

3)   the applicant is a graduate of Nazarbayev University.

2. Application package checklist for online application:

1) complete Application form;

2) scanned copy of a national ID or passport;

3) scanned copy of an official document confirming name change (if applicable);

4) scanned copy of degree diplomas with transcripts (diplomas/certificates with transcripts received from Kazakhstani universities must be notarized);

5) official electronic score report of Academic IELTS or TOEFL IBT (except Home edition) certificates from Test Administrator valid as of date of online documents submission and its scanned copy. An applicant must indicate Nazarbayev University as a recipient when registering for the test. In case if the applicant passed the test earlier, he/she can contact the test center and indicate the Nazarbayev University as a recipient;

6) scanned document confirming English as the language of instruction (only for applicants who earned their degree in a program which was taught in English and request an exemption from submitting IELTS or TOEFL (except Home edition);

7) documented proof of work experience (if applicable);

8) electronic GRE test certificate valid as of date of online documents submission (optional);

9) two confidential letters of recommendation written within the last 12 months (to be provided by referees electronically or in hard copy);

10) personal Statement (300-500 words);

11) scanned copy of curriculum vitae (up to 2 A4 pages).