

Santa Barbara Graduate Institute

Application for Admission

Welcome

Thank you for your interest in one of the degree programs offered by Santa Barbara Graduate Institute. These innovative graduate programs feature distinguished faculty and curriculum, accessible format and a dynamic synergistic education model.

To be eligible for admissions you must complete all admission requirements and have all materials returned to SBGI by the dates given in the catalog.

This application package includes:

1. Admissions information
2. Application form
3. Three recommendation packets, each with:
 - Letter of introduction
 - Admission recommendation form

Instructions:

1. Complete application form and send along with supplemental information (checklist on the second page), application fee and photograph to SBGI.
2. **Complete applicant portion** of Admissions recommendation forms and give to recommender along with the letter of introduction. Have them mail completed form and their letter to SBGI. As an alternative, they may give you the recommendation in a sealed envelope with their signature over the seal.

Personal Essay

This 3 to 5 page essay should discuss the key personal and professional experiences that have contributed to and shaped your interest in the field of clinical, prenatal and perinatal psychology or somatic psychology. Your essay should include:

- Your prenatal and perinatal history -- conception, prenatal, birth and infancy -- as you understand how it relates to later life experiences, and to your interest in clinical psychology, prenatal and perinatal psychology, or somatic psychology
- Significant body experiences – illnesses, traumas, insights, or patterns - as they relate to your interest in clinical psychology, prenatal and perinatal psychology, or somatic psychology
- Any professional development, training, or educational experiences that have informed your decision to undertake graduate work in clinical psychology, prenatal and perinatal psychology, or somatic psychology
- Other significant personal practices, experiences, and life changes
- The present focus of your personal growth
- The personal strengths and challenges that you consider relevant to your future endeavors as a graduate student at SBGI

Statement of Educational and Professional Goals

This one to two page essay should outline:

- Your current professional goals (including activities and goals outside of graduate school)
- What you hope to gain from graduate study in clinical psychology, prenatal and perinatal psychology, or somatic psychology
- How you might apply a graduate degree to your future work

All essays should be typewritten and double-spaced.

Please call if you need assistance. We look forward to receiving your application.

Mail to:

Santa Barbara Graduate Institute
Admissions
2020 Alameda Padre Serra, Suite 135
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1. **Planned Enrollment (circle one)** **Fall** **Winter** **Spring** **Summer** _____ **Year**

2. **Degree** (check one) _____ PhD _____ MA or _____ Certificate

3. **Format** (check one) _____ MOC (Monthly On Campus) _____ PSP (Distance Learning)

4. **Discipline** (check one)
_____ Clinical Psychology (Specialty in Prenatal & Perinatal Psychology)
_____ Clinical Psychology (Specialty in Somatic Psychology)
_____ Prenatal & Perinatal Psychology
_____ Somatic Psychology

5. Student Information

Full Legal Name _____

Preferred Name, if different _____

Previous Names (s) that may appear on your transcripts _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ ZIP _____ Country _____

Day Phone _____ Evening Phone _____ Cellular Phone _____

FAX _____ Best contact methods _____ Email Address _____

Social Security Number _____ Date of Birth _____

Note: Please notify SBGI as soon as possible if any of the above contact information changes.

6. Please list all colleges and universities attended

College or University _____ Dates Attended _____ Degree(s) Received _____

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7. **Non-US citizen applicants:** Submit the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) Score.
TOEFL Score _____ written / computer (circle one)

(Please complete both pages and sign application)

8. For statistical purposes only:

Gender: ___ Female ___ Male

Marital Status: ___ Single ___ Married ___ Divorced ___ Widowed

Citizenship: ___ U.S. ___ Other

If not a US Citizen:

US Residency Status: _____ Country of Citizenship: _____

Ethnicity (please check only one):

___ White, Non-Hispanic ___ Black, Non-Hispanic ___ American Indian/Alaskan Native

___ Hispanic _____ Other (please specify)

9. How did you hear about Santa Barbara Graduate Institute? _____
(Please be specific)

10. Application Checklist

___ Completed form with photograph enclosed

___ Current resume or curriculum vitae enclosed

___ Personal essay enclosed

___ Statement of educational and professional goals enclosed

___ Sample of written work by applicant enclosed

___ (MA) Two letters or (PhD) three letters of recommendation to be sent directly by recommender
or _____ Sealed letters enclosed

___ Official transcripts requested or _____ Official transcripts enclosed

___ Non-refundable application fee of \$60. Check or money order to: Santa Barbara Graduate Institute

___ Additional non-refundable special processing fee of \$150 **if application is mailed within eight weeks of the first course taken for credit at SBGI**

___ For international students only: TOEFL score _____ or Score to be sent by _____(date)

I certify that the information provided here is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's signature _____ Date _____

Please identify each written piece with your name and degree program for which you are applying. All written work should be typewritten and double-spaced. No portion of the application will be returned regardless of acceptance outcome.

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Santa Barbara Graduate Institute has been granted full approval as a Degree-Granting Institution from the State of California Bureau for Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education.

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