

GEISINGER COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Holistic Review Statement

The Committee on Graduate Admissions (CGA) reviews applications holistically. Evaluation criteria include, but are not limited to, the potential for academic success, alignment with the mission and values of Geisinger College of Health Sciences (GCHS), and community engagement. Such a review allows the CGA to ensure that students accepted to GCHS graduate programs demonstrate a multi-faceted congruence with GCHS.

Holistic review ensures that no single factor determines the acceptance or denial of a candidate. One of its key values is the opportunity to recognize that an applicant's strength in one area might offset a weakness in another. By carefully weighing strengths, achievements, and the ways in which an applicant might contribute to the GCHS community, CGA members increase the likelihood of offering admission to those most likely to succeed and fulfill our mission.