**FINDING INFORMATION ABOUT GRADUATE PROGRAMS**

**Books**

● ***Getting In, Second Edition*** (2007, American Psychological Association). Simplifies the process for applicants and increases their chances of being accepted. Useful timelines, tips, and tools break the tasks into manageable steps and help readers define their goals, select programs, and navigate the application process.

*●* ***Insider’s Guide to Graduate Programs in Clinical and Counseling Psychology: 2012-2013 Edition***, by Michael A. Sayette, Tracy J. Mayne, and John C. Norcross (2010, Guilford Press). Includes advice about PhD vs. PsyD programs, selecting schools, applying to programs, mastering the interview, etc. Also rates programs in terms of the relative emphasis on clinical training and research.

● ***The Complete Guide to Graduate School Admission: Psychology, Counseling, and Related Professions, Second Edition*** (2000, Psychology Press). A little outdated, but still useful as a source of information regarding the entire graduate school admission process.

● ***Graduate Study in Psychology*** (2011), American Psychological Association). The most comprehensive source of information regarding graduate programs in psychology, providing detailed information about hundreds of graduate programs in psychology in the U.S. and Canada. Copies of this book can be checked out in the main office of the EIU Psychology Department (PHYS 1151).

● ***The Social Work Graduate Applicant’s Handbook: The Complete Guide to Selecting and Applying to MSW Programs, Second Edition***, by Jesus Reyes (2005, White Hat Communications). Helps potential applicants decide which school is right for them, and improve their applications.

**Websites**

● **www.gradschools.com**

At this site, you can search programs by field of study, subject, and location, although it may not be completely accurate regarding which institutions have which programs. Includes articles about how to fund your graduate education.

● **www.admissionsboard.com**

This site features an “ask the expert” forum for graduate school admissions. You can ask such questions as. “Is it good to put certain types of information in my personal statement?” Or “Can I still get into graduate school with a mediocre GPA and a mediocre GRE score?” The “experts” seem fairly knowledgeable.

● **http://graduate-school.phds.org**

A useful search engine based on degree specialty, setting, location, cost, financial aid, outcomes, size, diversity, selectivity, etc.