Time Table for Applying to Graduate School

**During your Junior Year**
- Begin Thinking about where you'd like to apply.
- Request catalogs and applications, browse websites, talk with career counselors to help you develop a course of action for graduate school.
- Determine admission requirements of programs you are interested in.
- Begin preparing for standardized tests.
- Begin budgeting for paying fee waivers or look into which schools provide fee exemptions.

**During your Senior Year**

**Summer through September**
- If you haven't already done so, take the necessary standardized tests.
- Consider which faculty members to ask for letters of recommendation.
- Prepare a Resume or CV for programs that require them.

**September through October**
- Research sources of financial aid.
- Write a draft of your statement of purpose, and have others review it.
- Ask faculty members to write letters of recommendation.

**November through December**
- Arrange for your official transcripts to be sent to each program to which you apply.
- Apply for fellowships and other sources of financial aid.
- Finalize essays and statement of purpose.

**January**
- Complete the application forms for each program.
- Mail your applications.

**February**
- Don't freak out while waiting to hear back from schools. Stay focused on your studies.
- Start planning for admission interviews.
- Fill out the Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) application.

**March through April**
- Visit Schools to which you have been accepted.
- Notify schools about which programs you are accepting or declining.

**May**
- Graduate!
- Send final, updated transcripts to programs that require them.

**Finally, make Mizzou proud!**