



PMF Application: Top 3 Common Mistakes



1) Transcript issues

Many applicants submit transcripts that are missing required elements such as name, school name, degree program and type, and most importantly, the date the degree was conferred or is expected to be completed. To make sure your transcript has everything it needs, go here: <https://www.pmf.gov/become-a-pmf/application-process/application-tips/>.



2) Insufficient documentation

Some applicants are missing alternative documents associated to a transcript when a required element is missing (e.g. degree date completion), documents related to Veterans' Preference and/or Indian Preference, or documents related to a request for a reasonable accommodation for the on-line assessment. Review the "Application Process" and "Application Tips" sections on the PMF website at <https://www.pmf.gov> for additional information.

3) Waiting until the last minute

Many applicants do not start the application process until the night before or even hours before it closes. The entire application and on-line assessment can take 3-4 hours to complete. All of this takes time. Do yourself a favor and don't wait until the last minute! For more information on preparing for the assessment (including the PMF Assessment Preparation Guide), go here: <https://www.pmf.gov/become-a-pmf/assessment-process/>.

Every year, the PMF Program loses great applicants to the above mistakes—don't let that be you!

To learn more about becoming a PMF and the process to get there, visit us here:

<https://www.pmf.gov/become-a-pmf/overview.aspx>.



The PMF Class of 2021 Application runs from 9/30/2020-10/14/2020, opening and closing at Noon (ET). Please check our website for the most up-to-date information at www.pmf.gov.

Questions?

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