1) The new eapp will be available early Jan 2015 for applicants applying to the Spring 2016 term.

2) Applicants will fill out the main app, supplemental application and pay the application fee before submission. Therefore everyone in GWIS will have paid their fee.

3) The application fee will be paid by credit card only.

4) The new eapp will be very generic in messaging and questions will be shared between programs. If more instruction is needed, you will need to include them on your programs’ webpage.
   a. For example: The statement of purpose will say:
      "Please describe your current degree goals and your reasons for applying to the graduate program(s) you have chosen. Provide any personal or background information which may aid the selection committee in evaluating your suitability for graduate study. Discuss how your personal background informs your decision to pursue a graduate degree. Please include any educational, cultural, economic, family or social experiences, challenges, or opportunities relevant to your academic experiences and goals. Brevity and clarity can work to your advantage, but you should feel free to expand as needed. Your program may have specific instructions for your statement of purpose. Please go to your program's website for additional direction through [https://www.gradsch.wisc.edu/education/academic_programs/index.html](https://www.gradsch.wisc.edu/education/academic_programs/index.html)"
   b. Faculty lists and academic sublists should be maintained on your webpages, not on the application. The applicant will go to your website for information and will answer the questions in a text box. (not a picklist)

5) Letters of recommendation will be the same for all programs. We found that many programs like the ranking system, so all programs will now receive the same ranking system AND letter. The ranking will include a value of NA (not applicable)
   a. The general messaging will be:
      "Please give a brief overall assessment of the applicant's qualifications for success in graduate study, including strengths and weaknesses, commenting on the applicant's knowledge. In your letter, address how long you have known the applicant and in what capacity.
   b. The student can write a message to the recommender as part of the recommendation request.

6) Deadlines will no longer be maintained by the graduate school. You should list your program’s deadlines on your webpages.

7) Applicants can only apply to one plan/subplan within the same program. eg. they will not be able to apply to an MS and PHD within the same program.

8) What is submitted is final. We will be treating the online application like a paper application in that corrections will not be made to the application.

9) We will still be using GWIS /GWIS lite for the associated uploaded documents from the application. If the applicant sends the program additional documents, they can be uploaded through GWIS. All documents will be pdf only.

10) All programs will receive the statement of purpose, unofficial transcripts and cv/resume.

11) Once the applicant submits the application it will go into isis. There will no longer be a batch upload.