

Frequently Asked Questions on the GRE Test Process

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Is the GRE required?

The best way to find out if the GRE is required is to review the website of the program you are applying to or contact the Graduate Coordinator of the program to ask.

How do I sign up to take the test?

Go to the [ETS website](#) and follow the instructions.

When should I take the GRE?

Most people need about 2-4 months between the time they begin studying for the GRE and their application deadlines. You'll have to take the GRE at least three weeks before your earliest application deadline to allow enough time for the school to receive your scores. Also, it can take the Graduate School an additional 1-2 weeks to send your test scores to the program you are applying for admissions. Please take these timelines into consideration as you prepare.

How much does the GRE cost?

The GRE costs \$205, plus the possibility of other fees. (Example: subject tests, late registration fees, rescheduling fees) For those with financial need, ETS offers a limited number of GRE Fee reduction vouchers.

Where do I take the GRE?

You must take the GRE at an [approved testing center](#).

What are the GRE Subject Tests?

The GRE is a general examination that many graduate programs require in their admissions process. Some graduate programs require you to take a subject test. Each subject test is intended for students who have an undergraduate major or extensive background in one of these six disciplines: Biology, Chemistry, Literature in English, Mathematics, Physics, and Psychology. The subject tests are administered at paper-delivered tests centers worldwide three times a year in September, October, and April. Be sure to find out from the graduate program you are applying to if you need to take the subject test as subject tests do not replace the general tests. You can find out more information about the subject tests on the [ETS website](#).

Where do I send my GRE scores?

You will be asked to designate your free score institutional recipients at the test center the day of the test. The UGA institutional code for ETS reporting is 5813. Please note that listing UGA (5813) as an Undergraduate Institution is NOT sufficient for ETS to send UGA a copy of the score report. You MUST list UGA (5813) as an actual score recipient. In addition to self-reported scores you may provide within the application, [entrance test scores appropriate for each application must be sent to Graduate Admissions directly by the responsible testing agency](#). Unofficial scores are not acceptable.

How long is the test score valid?

The GRE test score is valid for five years.