



The Graduate Records Exam (GRE)

What is the GRE?

The GRE is the most commonly required exam at WKU. The M.S., M.A., and M.A.E. programs that require an entrance exam, require the GRE. The GRE General Test measures verbal reasoning, quantitative reasoning, critical thinking and analytical writing skills. It is composed of three sections: Analytical Writing, Verbal Reasoning, and Quantitative Reasoning.

The exam is not specific to any field of study. Graduate programs often use GRE scores to evaluate your readiness for graduate-level work. Additional information and test registration is available through the [Educational Testing Services website](#).

Preparing for the GRE

One essential piece in preparing for graduate school is getting ready for the entrance exam. Most standardized exams for grad school are designed to identify potential success, rather than test your knowledge base in a particular area of study. The questions are designed to quantify your thinking skills, ability to analyze information, measure your reading comprehension, writing ability, vocabulary and quantitative skills.

Regardless of the type of exam you're preparing to take, the most important thing you can do is **practice!** We've gathered some information on free and low-cost resources that will help you better prepare. The list below will connect you with links to practice exams, types of questions, and exam registration information.

- [WKU GRE Prep](#)
- [My GRE Tutor](#)
- [Exam Focus](#)
- [ETS Official GRE Test Prep](#)