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## History

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5. Mar 4, 2024 by  
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### Graduate School of Business Master's Admission Policy

#### Program Delivery

##### Method

On Campus

Is this program interdisciplinary between two or more colleges or schools?

No

Do the proposed changes impact any specific course(s) from another college or school?

No

## Program Requirements and Description

### Requirements

Applicants who are seeking a master's degree must submit the following items:

Application form ([gsb.uark.edu](https://gsb.uark.edu))

Application fee

1. New Non-Degree seeking, Graduate Certificate, and Graduate MicroCertificate applications (\$30)
1. Domestic Degree-seeking applications (\$60)

∴ International Degree-seeking applications (\$75)

Current resume

Statement of Purpose

Three letters of recommendation

Official transcripts from each college or university attended

Official GMAT or GRE score as per specific program requirements (see **note** below)

Official TOEFL or IELTS score (international applicants only). This requirement applies to anyone whose native language is not English, including naturalized U.S. citizens and permanent residents.

Financial and Supplemental Information form (international applicants only)

Educational Summary form (international applicants only)

**Note:**

Students applying directly to the **Master of Arts in Economics** program must supply a valid GRE or GMAT score.

Students applying directly to the **Master of Accountancy (M.Acc.)** program must supply a valid GMAT score.

Students admitted to the Integrated Master of Accountancy program (IMACC) who plan continuous enrollment into the M.Acc. program do not need to reapply but must submit an acceptable GMAT score.

Students applying to the **Full-Time M.B.A.** program are required to provide either a valid GMAT/GRE score or a resume with a minimum of two years of post-bachelor's professional work experience as evaluated by the M.B.A. admissions committee.

Students applying to the **Executive M.B.A.** program are **not** required to submit an academic test as part of their application materials.

Students applying to any other Walton master's degree<sup>1</sup> may be eligible for a GMAT or GRE waiver under the following conditions:

Student has earned a 3.2 cumulative or last 60 credit hour GPA from an accredited U.S. institution (undergraduate or graduate degree)

**OR** the student has a minimum of 3 years of relevant professional work experience as evaluated by the program admissions committee.

Exceptions may be made for other outstanding achievements or qualifications — (eg: J.D./M.D./Ph.D., or valid alternate exam as determined by the admissions committee)

**\*All AI applicants with only international academic transcripts must submit a valid GMAT or GRE exam as part of their complete application packet.** Holders of a U.S. work visa applying to professional, part-time degree programs (Executive M.B.A., Professional M.I.S., Professional M.A.B.A., Healthcare Business Analytics, Product Innovation, or Supply Chain Management) may petition for a test waiver based on a minimum of 3 years of professional work experience. Waiver approval will be determined by the departmental admissions committee on a case-by-case basis.

If the GMAT/GRE waiver is denied as part of an initial program review, students must submit a valid GMAT or GRE exam (depending on specific program requirements) for further admission consideration.

<sup>1</sup>  
All Walton doctoral programs require either a valid GMAT or GRE for admission.

Description and justification of the request

Description of specific change	Justification for this change
Updated the admissions requirement for Full-time MBA applicants to require either a valid GMAT/GRE or a minimum of 2 years of professional work experience.	This change is meant to support the Full-time MBA restructuring and target student audience.

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Reviewer Comments

- Lisa Kulczak (lkulcza) (03/03/25 10:38 am):** ATTENTION REGISTRAR: Please remove Undergraduate Council from the workflow.
- Gina Daugherty (gdaugher) (03/03/25 5:15 pm):** Undergraduate Council removed from workflow.

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