**Graduate Record Examinations (GRE)**

[www.ets.org/gre/](http://www.ets.org/gre/)

**What is the GRE?**

The *GRE General Test* is a standardized assessment that measures your verbal reasoning, quantitative reasoning, critical thinking and analytical writing skills.

The *GRE Subject Tests* are achievement tests that measure your knowledge of a particular field of study. There is a psychology subject test. More information about the psychology subject tests may be found here: [www.ets.org/gre/subject/about/content/psychology](http://www.ets.org/gre/subject/about/content/psychology)

**Who Should Take These Tests?**

Requirements vary by university and degree program. Before investing time and money in taking these assessments look at the requirements for the programs that interest you. Some programs require only the *GRE General Test*, some also require the subject test, and others might not require either. In addition, some programs have specific scores that are required for entry into the program. It is important to do your research when it comes to admission requirements.

For example, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign requires the *GRE General Test*. They recommend taking the subject test but do not require it, and they do not have a required minimum score. The University of Wisconsin only requires the *GRE General Test* but requires a minimum combined score of 310.

**How Much Do They Cost?**

The cost for standard administration of the *GRE General Test* is $205. The cost for a *GRE Subject Test* is $150. Note that the GRE has a fee reduction program where qualified candidates may receive a *GRE Fee Reduction Voucher* that can be used on one *GRE General Test* and/or one *GRE Subject Test*. Voucher users pay 50% of the regular test fee: [www.ets.org/gre/revised\_general/about/fees/reductions/](http://www.ets.org/gre/revised_general/about/fees/reductions/)

**How Do I Take the Tests?**

Students register online and select a convenient test date and location. The *GRE General Test* is typically administered on a computer and the *GRE Subject Test* is administered on paper. More information about test registration may be found here: [www.ets.org/gre/subject/register/](http://www.ets.org/gre/subject/register/)

Students may also request disability accommodations. More information about disability accommodations may be found here: [www.ets.org/gre/subject/register/disabilities](http://www.ets.org/gre/subject/register/disabilities)

**How Do I Prepare?**

* Free test preparation materials are available online: [www.ets.org/gre/revised\_general/prepare](http://www.ets.org/gre/revised_general/prepare)
* In addition, the UIS Career Development Center also provides test preparation resources: [www.uis.edu/career/](http://www.uis.edu/career/)