

## **Q. What is the GMAT®?**

**A.** The Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT®) is a standardized, computer-based aptitude test that is designed to measure your potential to succeed in post-graduate business school studies. It is used by Business schools around the world as a criterion for admission into a wide range of graduate management programs.

## **Q. Why does the Graduate School of Business use GMAT®?**

**A.** The Graduate School of Business is genuinely interested in your success as a student and in ensuring that you are in a learning environment with other high-calibre students.

## **Q. What does the test cover?**

**A.** The GMAT® measures a variety of skills that you've acquired over the years through high school, undergraduate study and work experience. The GMAT® exam does not measure a person's knowledge of specific fields of study.

The test is divided into four sections:

1. Analytical Writing section
2. Integrated Reasoning section
3. Quantitative section
4. Verbal section.

## **Q. How does it work?**

**A.** The GMAT® is a multiple choice computer-adaptive test. The test commences by asking a medium difficulty level question and then adjusts the difficulty of subsequent questions up or down depending on whether you answer them correctly. In this way you are always presented with questions that are appropriate to your ability.

### Q. How long is the test?

A. You should allow four hours to complete the GMAT®. You will be given two 5 minute breaks at scheduled intervals.

### Q. Are there practice tests available?

A. Yes. Free practice tests are available for download once you have created a user profile on [www.mba.com](http://www.mba.com). Alternatively, you can purchase books, eBooks and iPad Apps that provide more test and revision questions. See the [How can I prepare for the GMAT®?](#) question later in this document.

### Q. How much does it cost to do the test?

A. It will cost you \$250 USD to complete the test. The test fee is non-refundable if you do not turn up for your scheduled test. If you turn up late for the exam you will not be admitted and will still be required to pay the testing fee.

### Q. How is the GMAT scored?

A. The overall GMAT® score is determined by a combination of scores based on your results in the Quantitative and Verbal sections of the test. The score you receive will range from 200 – 800 in 10 point increments.

### Q. What GMAT score do I need?

A. The QUT Graduate School of Business requires students to achieve a minimum **GMAT® score of 550** to gain entry into the MBA program.

### Q. Can I take the test again, if I do not get the score I need?

A. Yes! However, you can only take the GMAT® test once every 31 days and only a maximum of five times in one calendar year.

**Q. How long does my GMAT score remain valid?**

**A.** Your GMAT® test score will remain valid for five years. After this time, you will need to re-sit the exam.

**Q. Where is the Brisbane testing centre?**

**A.** Please refer to [www.mba.com](http://www.mba.com).

**Q. How do I register for the GMAT?**

**A.** You must register for the GMAT® online through the [www.mba.com](http://www.mba.com) web site.

**Q. What do I have to bring with me to the test?**

**A.** You should ensure that you have photo ID with you at the testing centre. All other materials will be provided by the test supervisor.

**Q. When do I need to arrive at the test centre?**





**A.** You must arrive at the test centre a minimum of 30 minutes prior to your scheduled test. This will allow you to complete the required paperwork prior to the test.

**Q. How can I prepare for the GMAT®?**

**A.** It is important that you prepare well for the GMAT® to ensure success. We strongly recommend that you download and complete the free [GMAT® software](#) that contains some free questions. This will help you to get familiar with the format of the test, the types of questions you will be asked and to identify key areas that you may need to review prior to sitting the exam.

Although not required, you may decide to purchase a GMAT® preparation book, eBook or iPad apps. Some resources that may be helpful to your GMAT® preparation are:

	Resource	About the resource	Cost
	The Official Guide for GMAT® Review,	Includes 900 questions, companion web site, and diagnostics to determine weaknesses.	\$42.95

	13 <sup>th</sup> Edition	<a href="http://www.mba.com/store/store-catalog/gmat-preparation/the-official-guide-for-gmat-review-13th-edition.aspx">http://www.mba.com/store/store-catalog/gmat-preparation/the-official-guide-for-gmat-review-13th-edition.aspx</a>	
	GMAT® Paper Tests	Three question banks consisting of real GMAT® questions that have been retired from the official test can be purchased.  <a href="http://www.mba.com/store/store-catalog/gmat-preparation/gmat-paper-tests.aspx">http://www.mba.com/store/store-catalog/gmat-preparation/gmat-paper-tests.aspx</a>	\$29.95
	GMAT® Prep Software	This free software can be downloaded onto your PC or Mac.  <a href="http://www.mba.com/store/store-catalog/gmat-preparation/free-gmatprep-software.aspx">http://www.mba.com/store/store-catalog/gmat-preparation/free-gmatprep-software.aspx</a>	\$0.00
	The Official Guide for GMAT® 13 <sup>th</sup> Edition Mobile App	Includes a starter pack of timed review questions. Tests are automatically graded; show the correct answer as well as the worked solution. Additional questions can be purchased.  The app includes Review sections for Maths and Grammar to help prepare you for the test as well as links to Resources such as the GMAT® Official Blog, Ask the Expert Blog feed about MBA programs, admissions and the GMAT®.  <a href="http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/official-guide-for-gmat-review/id549122927?mt=8">http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/official-guide-for-gmat-review/id549122927?mt=8</a>	\$4.99