

GRE for PhD: Policy and Requirements per Academic Unit:

General information

Most departments will not require a GRE test as part of the application process from applicants who meet the following criteria:

1. The intended advisor interviewed the applicant, read their Thesis and wrote a supportive recommendation letter.
2. The applicant provided three additional recommendation letters, one of them from the previous advisor, regarding their academic and research abilities.
3. The applicant graduated from a highly ranked university (Shanghai ranking) – the department may consider an exemption to this condition based on the recommendations.

List of Departments that will exempt applicants from the GRE test:

Aerospace Engineering

Architecture & Town Planning

Biology

Biomedical Engineering

Biotech. & Food Eng.

Chemical Engineering – the applicant must provide a copy of the Thesis in English

Chemistry – final decision regarding the GRE will be made after an interview by the advisor and the department acceptance committee

Civil Engineering (all programs)

Computer Science

Education in S&T

Electrical Engineering

Industrial Eng. & Management

Materials Sci. and Eng.

Mathematics

Medicine

Physics

IDP in Applied Math.

IDP in Autonomous Systems and Robotics

IDP in Energy – the advisor may request a GRE test in some cases.

IDP in Biotechnology

IDP in Nano S&T

IDP in Polymer Eng.

PhD applicants must present a GRE (general test) score as part of the application process:

Mechanical Engineering