

GRE

Graduate Record Examination

Available Tests

General Test -- The general test is a computer-administered test consisting of three portions:

- ◆ **Verbal:** 30-minute section, 30 multiple-choice questions, possible score 200-800
 - Analyze and evaluate written material and synthesize information obtained from it
 - Analyze relationships among component parts of sentences
 - Recognize relationships between words and concepts
- ◆ **Quantitative:** 45-minute section, 28 multiple-choice questions, possible score 200-800
 - Understand basic concepts of arithmetic, algebra, geometry, and data analysis
 - Reason quantitatively
 - Solve problems in a quantitative setting
- ◆ **Analytical Writing:** Two analytical writing tasks, including an issue (position) essay and an argument (critical analysis) essay, possible score 0-6
 - Articulate complex ideas clearly and effectively
 - Examine claims and accompanying evidence
 - Support ideas with relevant reasons and examples
 - Sustain a well-focused, coherent discussion
 - Control the elements of standard written English

Subject Tests – The subject test is a paper-based test available for Literature in English, among other non-Humanities fields, and required for some graduate programs in English and composition.

This test consists of 230 questions on literature from the British Isles, the US, and other countries. Factual questions test a student's knowledge of writers typically studied in college courses; for example a student may be asked to identify a writer or work described in a brief critical comment or represented in a short excerpt. Interpretive questions test a student's ability to read passages of poetry, drama, fiction, and nonfiction prose perceptively; such questions may address meaning, use of language, form and structure, literary techniques and various aspects of style.

Fees

General Test:

- \$115 test fee
- \$40 rescheduling fee
- \$60 refund for cancelled tests

Subject Test:

- \$130 test fee
- \$35 stand-by fee
- Cancelled tests non-refundable

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Test Centers

ETSU: Tests are available M, W, F of each week and occasionally on T, Th if there is high demand. Tests are proctored in the Worris-Pickle Building, Room 428. Students must report to the testing room by 8:30 a.m. and allow four hours in which to complete the test.

To register for the general exam:

- Call (800) GRE-CALL and register with a major credit card.
- Stop by the ETSU testing center between 9am and 4pm and register with a major credit card, check, or money-order.
- Register online at www.gre.org and confirm your registration with a major credit card.
- For additional information, call the testing center at (423) 439-7842.

To register for the subject exam:

- Register online at www.gre.org and confirm your registration with a major credit card.
- Mail your registration including check/credit card/money order. Access registration form online at www.gre.org

Asheville Testing Center: Tests are available Monday-Saturday weekly. Appointments begin at 8:30 a.m., and all test takers are asked to arrive at the center by 8:00 a.m. While this center is some distance away, it is a new facility and provides a very comfortable testing atmosphere, including enclosed computer stations.

To register for the general exam:

- Call (800) GRE-CALL and register with a major credit card.
- Call the testing center directly at (828) 253-4224 (recommended method of registration, call in the afternoon to avoid high phone traffic) and register with a major credit card.
- Register online at www.gre.org and confirm your registration with a major credit card.
- For additional information, call the testing center at (828) 253-4224.

To register for the subject exam:

- Register online at www.gre.org and confirm your registration with a major credit card.
- Mail your registration including check/credit card/money order. Access registration form online at www.gre.org

Resources

- www.gre.org provides information on all aspects of the GRE.
- GRE POWERPREP – This practice software is sent to students upon receipt of their registrations. It may also be downloaded on-line at www.gre.org.
- www.Grediagnostic.org – This tool helps evaluate results from previous tests and also diagnoses your current strengths and weaknesses in preparation for the test.
- Graduate School Decision Guides – available online at www.gre.org.