GRE and Substitution

The primary purpose of GRE is to measure creative and logical thinking capability rather than language proficiency. International applicants must show English proficiency by passing TOEFL (> 79), IELTS (> 6.5), or Duolingo (> 115). Also, all applicants need to demonstrate sufficient capability for graduate study by meeting at least one of the following five criteria:

- **Criterion 1:** GRE (no passing score)

- **Criterion 2:** For five gateway courses, each of which is a prerequisite of more than two courses, the GPA > 3.0. The gateway courses are selected by faculty reviewers for the study area

- **Criterion 3:** For five gateway courses, each of which is a prerequisite of two or more courses, the GPA ≥ 2.0 and one published paper (first three author) on a journal with an impact factor IF ≥ 1.0. The gateway courses are selected by faculty reviewers for the study area

- **Criterion 4:** Two published papers (first three author) on journals with an IF ≥ 1.5

- **Criterion 5:** B.S degree from an ABET program with overall GPA > 2.5