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Subject: Waiver of GRE Requirement for IST Certificate Students

The Instructional Systems Technology Distance Program Committee, with the approval of the IST faculty, is requesting approval from Graduates Studies and the Faculty Council of the following policy:

Students admitted to the IST Certificate program who have completed 9 credits in that program with a GPA _in those credits_ of 3.7 or better are exempted from the GRE requirement if they make an application to the IST MS program.

If they decide to apply to the Ph.D. program, either after the Certificate or after the MS, they will _not_ be exempted from the GRE requirement, except by individual request as might otherwise happen (for example, if they have valid GMAT scores, a recent and relevant degree with high GPA, etc.)

Since all courses in the Certificate program are courses in the major, and since virtually all of our Certificate students are full time professionals with previous degrees, we feel that their strong performance in these 9 credits is a viable indicator of their ability to handle the academic requirements of the 36 credit IST MS successfully.

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