

**Revision of Minimum GRE Scores for Graduate Program Applications;
Graduate Programs Committee, School of Education
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In August 2011 the Educational Testing Service revised the GRE extensively, changing two of the three scales used to measure achievement on the exam. The new scales are promoted by ETS as being simpler for the purpose of discriminating between test-takers. They report scores from 130 - 170 in one-point increments for the Verbal Reasoning and Quantitative Reasoning segments of the exam. The Analytical Writing segment of the exam is scored as before. These changes necessitate changes in the minimum scores accepted for graduate programs that do require GRE scores from applicants.

The Graduate Programs Committee took the current minimum combined scores (900 for MS and EdS applicants; 1100 for EdD and PhD programs) and assumed equal contributions to those scores from the verbal and quantitative segments of the exam. (It is, of course, possible to achieve the minimum combined score with many combinations of individual segment scores.) We calculated and accepted the following minimum combined scores:

MS and EdS		EdD and PhD	
Old	New	Old	New
Verbal=450	Verbal=150	Verbal=550	Verbal=156
Quant=450	Quant=141	Quant=550	Quant=146
Total=900	Total=291	Total=1100	Total=302