

#### 4.2.5 GRADUATE SCHOOL

Students seeking admission to the University of Kentucky Graduate School must hold a baccalaureate degree from a fully accredited institution of higher learning. All applicants for admission to a graduate degree program must have an undergraduate grade point standing of at least 2.75, and a graduate grade point standing (if applicable) of at least 3.0 on a basis of 4.0. Furthermore, all applicants must submit scores on the verbal, quantitative and analytical writing portions of the aptitude section of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE). This rule may be waived in individual cases upon recommendation of the Director of Graduate Studies in the individual department or program. However, in cases where waivers are granted, the GRE scores must be submitted before the end of the first semester of graduate study. The advanced portion of the GRE may be required by individual programs. A student with a grade point average of less than 2.75, or a graduate of a non-accredited institution, may be admitted or provisionally admitted, only after the (GRE) and other evidence acceptable to the program and the Dean of the Graduate School is submitted indicating that the student is capable of doing satisfactory graduate work. Individual programs may establish higher requirements. US: 10/12/98)

**A graduate program *faculty* may petition the Graduate Council to allow its applicants to substitute another professional standardized exam (for example, the MCAT or LSAT) for the GRE. A *graduate program faculty* may also petition the Graduate Council to exempt all of its applicants from the requirement to submit GRE scores; for such a petition to be successful, the program must show that the GRE is not useful in its admissions process. Either type of petition must be approved *transmitted* by the Dean of the College in which the program resides before being submitted to the Graduate Council. The Graduate School will continue to require GRE scores for all Graduate School fellowship applications.**

**Note: If approved, this item will be forwarded to the Rules and Elections Committee for codification.**