

Schulich's Application Tips

TEST PREP

Due to the time and effort it takes to succeed, the GMAT is the biggest hurdle of your MBA application.

Here are a few tips for you to consider when contemplating the exam:

1. CHOOSE YOUR METHOD OF STUDY

There are many different ways to approach exam preparation, including self-study, online courses, in-person courses and tutoring.

- Self-study can work well if you are disciplined and don't feel the need to have an instructor.
- Courses ensure you are covering all the material and can give you great tips and personal attention but generally have a significant cost.

Practise the exam under timed conditions.

- Once you are comfortable with the material, practise writing the exam under the same timed conditions you will encounter during the actual test.

2. PLAN YOUR STUDY TIME

There is no particular amount of study time that is going to be right for everyone. Most students prepare for the exam by studying at least 100 hours over two to three months.

- Put together a study plan where you schedule your study time right into your calendar at the outset.
- There will be other tempting things to do besides study, but sticking to your plan will help ensure your success!

3. BOOK YOUR TEST DATE

Some people like to book their test date well in advance, others like to wait until they feel they have the material under control before choosing the date.

- Are you a procrastinator? Opt for the former so that you are motivated by the deadline, but keep in mind that you can only change your test date up to 7 days in advance for a cost of US\$50.
- Self-motivated? The latter can work, however there are a limited number of GMAT test centres in any one city, which are often booked up for several weeks.
- NOTE: sometimes people choose to take the test more than once. You can only take the test once every 16 days, so don't leave the exam to the last minute!

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The Schulich GMAT Study Series

Schulich offers a GMAT Study Series at the School, which includes a series of free test orientation events and a mock exam, followed by a GMAT Bootcamp.

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for upcoming dates.

Schulich usually considers GMAT scores of 550 and above, with our average score last year being 660. There is no definitive cut-off for the exam.

***Best of luck in
your preparations!***