

## **GT MS Analytics Info Session**

EVENT DATE: FRIDAY, 22 OCTOBER, 2021 - 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM

[11:20 AM]

**Is there a cut-off associated with the GRE score?**

No, we don't have formal cutoffs. Obviously, higher scores look better, but we do consider all applications.

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**Are the admissions rolling or applications will be considered only when the deadline is over?**

We generally review all applications after Jan. 1

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**Is TOEFL/IELTS required also for international students who studied their undergrad program full-time in the US?**

No. you will have to provide a transcript from a regionally accredited university or college located in the United States reflecting a minimum of one academic year (3 quarters or 2 semesters) of full-time enrollment

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**Could you brief me about scholarships? If we get a TA/RA will we be considered as in-state for the fee?**

TA/RA positions reduce your tuition to about \$7600/semester (for the semesters that you're a TA or RA) and you receive a monthly stipend (payment to you) of about \$1200/month while you're a TA or RA.

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**Coming from a Chemical Engineering background, I have good internships experience and projects in data science, will my profile be considered?**

Yes, definitely. Many of our students come from non-data-science backgrounds.

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**How important a factor is work experience in admissions?**

While helpful, prior work experience is not required. We consider all aspects of your application.

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**What courses or programming languages can I take/learn to prepare me to take MSA courses?**

Python is probably most important, and if you have time for a second one, some familiarity with R is helpful (but we'll teach it in our courses if you don't).

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**Is it possible to align some MSA course electives with courses from Computational Science and Engineering MS program?**

<https://www.analytics.gatech.edu/curriculum/course-listing>

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**If someone wants to take additional courses for learning purposes (completing multiple specialization) / lets say some international students wants to graduate later than 1 yr so as to look for jobs? Can the duration of course be extended?**

Typically, international students can extend for one additional semester to take more courses. US citizens can stay up to 6 years.

[11:18 AM]

**Is a resume specifically required or a CV would be fine as well?**

A CV would be fine too!

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**About the LORs, do we have to provide the LORs or the details of recommenders?**

Normally, you provide contact information and the system will automatically contact them directly to ask for letters.

[11:26 AM]

**If we submit our application before the priority deadline without the GRE score and submit the GRE scores later on, will we be considered under the priority deadline? And will our application move forward?**

You will, but the sooner you can get your GRE or GMAT scores in, the better.

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**MSA/MBA dual degree come under STEM for international students?**

Yes -- MSA is certainly a STEM degree, and I believe the MBA might also now be classified as STEM (but you should check with the MBA program to make sure).

[11:34 AM]

**Are lessons in Shenzhen taught in English? (What command of Chinese do we need or are recommended to have?)**

Yes, all of the lessons in Shenzhen are taught in English (so Shenzhen applicants also need TOEFL or IELTS or the GTLI assessment).

[11:35 AM]

**For students applying for online program, can they apply for spring or is it for fall only?**

Online and Shenzhen admit new students in Fall and Spring; MSA Atlanta only generally admits for Fall.

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**What is the average cohort size?**

Between @ 85-100. This year's cohort is 116.

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**Does the deadline mean that the recommendations should also be in by that time?**

Recommendation letters can come a little later

[11:54 AM]

**Is there a section-wise cutoff for toefl?**

We require at least a 20 on each section, and 100 overall.

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**Please reiterate the prerequisites once again!**

They are:

Calculus

Linear algebra

Calculus-based probability/statistics

Computer programming (especially Python)

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**Is there a section-wise IELTS score requirement? If yes, could you provide a link to it?**

For more info on English Proficiency Requirements visit: <https://grad.gatech.edu/english-proficiency>

[12:13 PM]

**What are the scholarships or fellowships available for students in this program?**

We have some graduate teaching assistantships and fellowships, and some students get able to get graduate research assistantships from individual professors.