VCU Executive MBA Program
GMAT Waiver Regulations and GMAT Alternative

GMAT Waiver Regulations

As a general policy, the VCU School of Business requires the GMAT of all MBA applicants.

The Executive MBA Program Admissions Committee will consider on a case-by-case basis, GMAT waiver requests from candidates who fall into one of the categories identified below. Waivers, however, are not automatic for any candidate, and a brief written request must be submitted outlining the reasons why the Admissions Committee should grant a GMAT waiver.

Candidates who may request a GMAT waiver are:

1. Those holding the following graduate degrees from an accredited college or university.
   a. Medical degree
   b. Law degree
   c. Master or doctoral degree

2. The applicant has an undergraduate degree that includes significant quantitative, statistical or mathematic component with at least a B average in such courses.

3. Those candidates who can substantiate, through written documentation, that the combination of their academic and professional accomplishments makes them highly prepared for success in a rigorous MBA Program.

Checklist for requesting a GMAT waiver:

1. Brief, one-page maximum, written request outlining why the Admissions Committee should grant a GMAT waiver, indicating the above category that applies. This must be submitted to the VCU Executive MBA Program (by email emba@vcu.edu or by mail).

2. Copies of all transcripts for work completed at any college or university. Candidates may submit unofficial copies, but any unofficial copies must be followed by official transcripts submitted with the application.


4. Any further information that the candidate wishes to submit to the Admissions Committee in support of the request.

GMAT Alternative Assessment

Candidates who do not qualify for a GMAT waiver may choose to complete the GMAT Alternative Assessment. Like the GMAT, this approved GMAT alternative is meant to assess the qualifications of VCU Executive MBA candidates. The GMAT alternative consists of self-paced online coursework in Basic Math & Statistics and Financial Accounting. This coursework will be provided to the candidate by the VCU Executive MBA program. Upon completion of the self-paced coursework, the candidate must complete comprehensive examinations in both Basic Math & Statistics and Financial Accounting and achieve a score of 80% or better on each examination. Successful completion of the coursework and cumulative examinations is required prior to the candidate’s enrollment in the VCU Executive MBA program.