

# What's Ahead for the *GRE*® Program in 2012 Special Update

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# What We Will Cover Today

- GRE<sup>®</sup> Highlights
- 2012 GRE Announcement
- Q&A



## GRE® Highlights

- 2011 represented the largest testing year in GRE® history, with more than 700,000 GRE revised General Tests taken
- U.S. volume increased nearly 10% from 2010
- Volume outside the U.S. increased nearly 25% over 2010
  - Growth recorded throughout the world, including Europe, Africa and other regions
  - China saw a noteworthy 28% increase in test volume
  - India saw a 43% increase
- About 3,000 institutions accept GRE scores and that number continues to grow dramatically throughout the world
  - In fact, more than 800 business schools now accept GRE scores for their MBA programs, including 80% of the top 100 MBA programs in the U.S. according to USNWR rankings

Volume number reflects the combination of GRE General Tests and GRE revised General Tests taken in 2011



# It's No Surprise GRE® Volumes Are On the Rise. Taking the GRE Revised General Test is a Smart Move.

#### Study anywhere

 The GRE revised General Test is accepted by thousands of graduate and business school programs around the world

#### Expand opportunities

- Whether individuals are considering a graduate or business degree, or multiple degrees, they only have to take ONE test to pursue their goals. With scores good for five years, that provides a lot of opportunity
- Choose from many test locations The GRE revised General
  - Test is available at about 700 locations worldwide, in more than 160 countries



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- Save money
  - The GRE revised General Test is less expensive than other graduate admission tests that measure the same skills
- Get added value
  - GRE test takers can use free, official GRE test prep software, sign up for the free GRE<sup>®</sup> Search Service and even send four free ETS<sup>®</sup> Personal Potential Index Evaluation Reports to the schools of their choice
- Plus, there's never been a better time to take the GRE revised General Test featuring the new test-taker friendly design for a better test experience.

#### 2012 GRE® Announcement

#### More good news for GRE test takers

- Expanding our test-taker friendly platform, we are introducing the new ScoreSelect<sup>SM</sup> option in July 2012
- With the ScoreSelect option, GRE test takers can decide which test scores to send to the institutions they designate, so they can send the scores they feel reflect their personal best

# GRE® Test Takers Can Select from Several Options

- On test day, when viewing their scores at the test center\*, they can select the:
  - ScoreSelect Most Recent option Send their scores from their current test administration (FREE)
  - ScoreSelect All option Send their scores from all administrations in the last five years (FREE)

They can decide which option to use for each of their four FREE score reports

- After test day, they can send Additional Score Reports for a fee by selecting from the following:
  - ScoreSelect Most Recent option Send their scores from their most recent test administration
  - ScoreSelect All option Send their scores from all administrations in the last five years
  - ScoreSelect Any option Send their scores from one OR many test administrations in the last five years

<sup>\*</sup> Individuals taking the paper-based GRE revised General Test or a Subject Test will select their options prior to test day.



### Know the Timing

The ScoreSelect<sup>™</sup> option is designed to help people approach test day with more confidence so they can do their personal best

- •The ScoreSelect option will be available starting in July 2012. The specific date for the first administration offering the ScoreSelect option will be announced in early June on the GRE® website at <a href="https://www.ets.org/gre">www.ets.org/gre</a>
- •If an individual designates score recipients or orders Additional Score Reports *prior* to the introduction of the *ScoreSelect* option, score reporting will be cumulative, which means all scores earned during the last five years will be reported to each score recipient a test taker designates

### ScoreSelect™ Option Reporting

- Scores for a test administration must be reported in their entirety. Regardless of whether test takers choose the *Most* Recent, All or Any option, they will select specific test administration dates so that their scores are all from the same testing session
- The new ScoreSelect option will be available for both the GRE® revised General Test and GRE® Subject Tests, and can be used by anyone with reportable scores from the last five years
- Schools will receive score reports that show only the scores that test takers selected to send to them
  - There will be no special indication if test takers have taken additional GRE tests



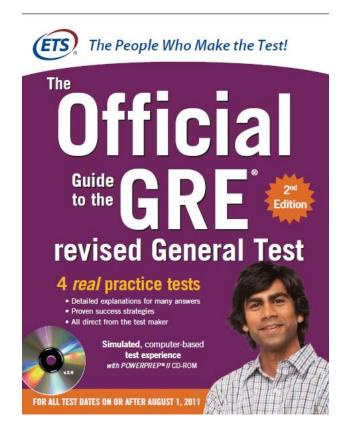
## Taking a GRE® Test Again

- Effective July 1, 2012, an individual can take the GRE® revised General Test — computer-based and paper-based — once every 30 days, and no more than five times within any continuous rolling 12-month period
- If an individual takes only the paper-based GRE revised General Test or GRE® Subject Test, he or she may do so as often as they are offered
- Test takers should refer to the complete policy on the GRE website at <u>www.ets.org/gre</u> for more information



# Helping People Make a Move Towards Their Higher Education Goals

- The GRE® Program is also introducing new and expanded test preparation materials this year to help test takers get ready, such as:
  - POWERPREP® II Software: Version
     2.0, available July 2012
  - The Official Guide to the GRE® revised General Test, 2nd edition, available August 2012





Please submit your questions for Dawn Piacentino using the Webex "Chat" window.

Thank you for joining us.



#### Resources for Further Information

- Official GRE® revised General Test Websites
  - TakeTheGRE.com
  - <u>facebook.com/GRErevisedGeneralTest</u>
  - o ets.org/gre
    - □ ScoreSelect<sup>sM</sup> option: ets.org/gre/scoreselect
    - Test Preparation: <a href="mailto:ets.org/gre/prepare">ets.org/gre/prepare</a>
    - Retake Policy: <u>ets.org/gre/revised\_general/register</u>
- Registration
  - ets.org/gre/revised\_general/register
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