

# Global MBA Programmes Admissions Tests

All applicants to our MBA programmes are required to take an admissions test and we will not normally assess your application until we have your result. You can choose to take the Manchester Admissions Test (MAT), GMAT® or GRE®. When completing the application form you can select which test you prefer to take. Most candidates for our Global MBA programmes will take the Manchester Admissions Test (MAT).

#### How will we use your result in our admissions decision?

The admissions test is only one of our admission criteria - we are looking for candidates with the 'right fit' for the unique Manchester MBA. We take a holistic view when evaluating applications, considering the 'person' rather than a score and place more emphasis on your professional, academic and personal achievements; and your leadership and team-working skills. A very good result does not necessarily give a better chance of admission and a less strong result does not mean you cannot be admitted.

# The Manchester Admissions Test (MAT)

The Manchester Admissions Test, which is designed and delivered by Talent Q, consists of 3 short computer based assessments:

#### 1. Elements Verbal (15 minutes).

- Measures your analytical reasoning skills in relation to interpreting written information and reports.
- Duration: approximately 15 minutes timed by the computer
- Language: must be taken in English.

## 2. Elements Numerical (15 minutes)

- Measures your analytical reasoning skills in relation to using figures, data and statistics.
- Duration: approximately 15 minutes timed by the computer
- Language: either in English or in your native language.

#### 3. Elements Logical (10 minutes)

- Measures your reasoning skills in relation to understanding and manipulating abstract or logical symbols.
- Duration: approximately 10 minutes timed by the computer
- Language: either in English or in your native language.

The assessments are used for admission purposes only. There is no official pass/fail mark for the assessments and you will not receive a score or a score report at the end of the test. Your results will be treated confidentially and the results do not count for any assessment for the MBA programme.

#### How and where do you take the Manchester Admissions Test (MAT)?

If you choose to take the MAT, first you will need to submit your MBA application. Within 24 hours (working days) of submitting the application, you will receive an email directly from Talent Q with your login and password and details of how to take the three short Talent Q Elements assessments. The

invitation will come from <a href="mailto:notifications@talentqgroup.com">notifications@talentqgroup.com</a>. Please save this email to your contacts so that the invitation does not get delivered to your junk email.

The admissions test is completed online and you can take it at your convenience in your home or office or anywhere where you have a good internet connection. Once you have started the official test you will need to answer all the questions in one sitting. You can complete the three assessments one after each other, (around 45 minutes in total); or you can complete one, then log back in later and take another.

We will not assess your MBA application until we have received your admissions test result, therefore once you receive the MAT invitation you should take the test straightaway, as we are keen to give you a decision about your admission to the MBA as soon as possible.

## How can you prepare for the Manchester Admissions Test (MAT)?

The MAT is designed to be short and quick to complete and do not require preparation. You will have the opportunity to complete some practice questions before your official test starts, however if you would like to familiarise yourself with the assessments and take practice tests, please visit the Talent Q candidate support site at <a href="https://www.trytalentq.com">www.trytalentq.com</a>.

# **GMAT and GRE Admissions Tests**

GMAT and GRE are standardised admissions tests which are used by the world's leading business schools.

GMAT: <a href="http://www.mba.com/global">http://www.mba.com/global</a>
GRE: <a href="https://www.ets.org/gre/">https://www.ets.org/gre/</a>

If you have already taken the GMAT or GRE please include your scores in the MBA application form. If you are intending to take GMAT or GRE you will need to put your intended test date to be able to submit this application.

# What evidence do you need to provide about your GMAT or GRE result?

We need to verify your result before confirming your admission to the MBA programme. We verify your official GMAT or GRE score online through their systems; however we can only do this if you made your official score report available to us when you took the test. If you didn't already make your score available for us to verify, please arrange to do this and then inform us.

If you have a copy of your score report, please upload it with your application or email it to us, as it may help us to find you in the GMAT or GRE online score verification system.

How to report your official GMAT score: <u>Sending your official GMAT score</u> Our GMAT institution code is N1C-XL-39.

We are listed as University of Manchester - Alliance Manchester Business School

How to report your official GRE score: Sending your official GRE score

Our GRE Designated Institution (DI) Code is 1433

We are listed as University of Manchester - Alliance Manchester Business School MBA