

The School of Theology and Ministry requires a recent exam score from **one** of the following options for an application file to be considered by the Admissions Committee. If the native language of instruction in the university/college attended was English, you may choose from either the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) or the Miller Analogies Test (MAT). International students whose language of instruction was not English may choose either to sit for the *Test of English as a Foreign Language* (TOEFL) **or** the *International English Language Testing System* (IELTS).

Graduate Record Examination (General Test)

The *Graduate Record Examination (General Test)* measures verbal, quantitative, and analytical skills that have been acquired over a long period of time and are not related to any special field of study. The test consists of three scored sections:

- Verbal – 30 minute section (30 questions)
 - Analyze and evaluate written material; analyze relationships among sentences
- Quantitative – 45 minute section (28 questions)
 - Basic math skills to reason quantitatively and solve problems
- Analytical – 60 minute section (35 questions)
 - Understand structured sets of relationships; analyze and evaluate arguments

The School of Theology and Ministry requires a **minimum combined score of 900** for the verbal and quantitative sections on the GRE.

TOEFL or IELTS

The *Test of English as a Foreign Language* (TOEFL) measures the ability of non-native speakers of English to use and understand English as it is spoken, written, and heard in college and university settings. The TOEFL test is offered in two different formats depending on the test taker's location: the Internet-based test and the paper-based test. In the countries where the TOEFL iBT is not offered, the TOEFL Paper-based test (TOEFL PBT) is given which measures listening comprehension, structure and written expression, and reading comprehension. The School of Theology and Ministry requires a minimum score of 79 for the TOEFL iBT format or 550 for the TOEFL PBT format.

International English Language Testing System (IELTS) tests are held in over 500 centers with tests up to four times a month. IELTS respects international diversity and is fair to anyone who sits for the test, regardless of nationality. You will be given the option to choose from two types of IELTS test: Academic or General Training, depending on whether you want to study, work or migrate. Both modules are made up of four parts – Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking. IELTS results are graded on the unique IELTS 9-band scale. The School of Theology and Ministry requires applicants to take the Academic IELTS test and score a minimum band score of 7.0.

Testing Information

For more information regarding these exams, please visit the following websites. Go to www.ets.org, and then select either “GRE” or “TOEFL” under *Tests*. The websites contain useful information on the testing sites, structure of the test, test preparation advice, sample questions, location of test sites, fees, etc. You can also find test preparation materials by doing a web search using key words such as “TOEFL” or “test of English as a foreign language.” For more information on the IELTS test, visit www.ielts.org.

When taking an entrance exam, be sure to select ORU as the recipient for your exam results, using the following code for both the GRE and TOEFL: #6552. You will also receive a score report; however, Graduate Admissions must have an original report **directly from the testing service** for this requirement to be considered officially met. If a preliminary score is given to you, please fax a copy to us at 918.495.6725, and your application file will be submitted to the Admissions Committee with that copy if the file is otherwise complete. Your acceptance would be conditional, pending receipt of the official exam score.