1. Minimum of 3.00 cumulative GPA on a 4.00 scale or equivalent.
2. Verification statement showing completion of current Plan IV or DPD.
3. Recency of education in courses related to practice. If the degree is more than five years old, six credit hours of college coursework must be taken; if degree is more than 10 years old, 12 credit hours of coursework are required.
4. Preference is given to applicants whose combined Verbal and Quantitative GRE scores equal or exceed 900.

Admission Requirements for the College of Business and Public Affairs

Applicants may be admitted as degree seeking (Unconditional, Conditional, or Unclassified) as listed below. Degree-seeking applicants must meet the university requirements listed above under “Types of Admission.”

To be considered for admission in the College of Business and Public Affairs, applicants must hold a bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university or be currently enrolled in their final semester for a baccalaureate degree at an accredited American university/college. In addition, applicants must supply to the College of Business and Public Affairs Graduate Admission Committee a resume (including work history and military record), three letters of recommendation, an essay component indicating a high promise of success at graduate work, a minimum acceptable GMAT total score (except for unclassified admission), and official transcripts from all universities/colleges attended.

A. Unconditional Admission (requirements 1 (a, b, c) OR 2 (a, b, c) must be met)

1. a. hold a bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university
   b. have earned a Cum GPA such that 200 times GPA plus the total score on the Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) must equal at least 1,050 points or, if the Sr Yr GPA is used, the sum of GPA times 200 plus GMAT must equal at least 1,100 (Minimum acceptable GMAT total score is 450.) or
   c. positive review from the CBPA Graduate Admission Committee and the CBPA Graduate Essay Screening Committee

OR

2. If the applicant’s exceptional professional achievement clearly demonstrates to the College of Business and Public Affairs Graduate Admission Committee high promise of success at graduate work, then the applicant must:
   a. hold a bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university
   b. have earned a Cum GPA such that 200 times GPA plus the total score on the GMAT must equal at least 950 points or, if the Sr Yr GPA is used, the sum of GPA times 200 plus GMAT must equal at least 1,000 (Minimum acceptable GMAT total score is 450.)
   c. positive review from the CBPA Graduate Admission Committee and the CBPA Graduate Essay Screening Committee
Conditional Admission (requirements 1 and 2 must be met)

1. The applicant must have achieved a GMAT total score of at least 450 (500 if exempted from the university’s minimum GPA requirement) AND
2. positive review from both the CBPA Graduate Admission Committee and the CBPA Graduate Essay Screening Committee.

Unclassified Admission

Applicants who do not meet requirements for either unconditional or conditional admission may be eligible for unclassified admission, however, admission requires positive review of the CBPA Graduate Admission Committee and the CBPA Graduate Essay Screening Committee. See previous section on university “Types of Admission.”

Undergraduate Foundation Courses

The following courses, or their equivalent, are required as a foundation to graduate programs in business. A “C” or better must be earned in each foundation course. In addition, several courses in the programs may not be taken until one or more prerequisites have been satisfactorily completed.

Accounting 201 Financial Accounting for Decision Making or Accounting 300 Accounting for Non-Business Students (If Accounting 201 or 300 is not successfully completed prior to admission to master’s programs in business, one of the courses or their equivalent must be satisfactorily completed by the end of the second semester in the program.)

Mathematics 210 Elementary Statistics and Probability (If not successfully completed prior to admission to master’s programs in business, Mathematics 210 or its equivalent must be satisfactorily completed by the end of the first semester in the program.)

Other specific course prerequisites may be required in the M.Ac. program.

Admission Requirements for the College of Education and Behavioral Sciences

Applicants may be admitted as degree seeking (Unconditional, Conditional, or Unclassified) or non-degree as listed below. Degree-seeking applicants must meet the university requirements listed above under “Types of Admission,” have received licensure to teach (Major in Teaching Advanced Elementary, Advanced Secondary, and Major in Educational Administration and Supervision), and must meet one of the following minimal qualifying exam scores:

- GRE Verbal and Quantitative combined score of 650, or
- Minimum score(s) as set forth by the Tennessee State Department of Education for teacher licensure at the time licensure was received. (Current Requirement: Praxis Principles of Learning and Teaching K-6 score of 155, 5-9 score of 154, 7-12 score of 159), or
- NTE Professional Knowledge score of 643, or
- MAT (Miller Analogies Test) score of 32.

In addition to the above, applicants for a Major in Counseling must submit the following for review and