**Proposal for Modification in Admission Requirement to the FTMBA**

**The Walton MBA Committee proposes that applicants to the Walton MBA program be allowed to substitute the GMAT/GRE with alternate assessments such as an interview. This change will be enacted for a trial period of three years (2021, 2022, and 2023). After the trial period, the impact of this change will be assessed by the MBA committee (in terms of performance of the admitted students, and other associated student outcomes), before being made permanent.**

**Criteria:**

* **An applicant with a GPA of 3.25 and above will be eligible to apply for a GMAT substitution.**
* **An applicant with a terminal degree (PhD, JD, MD) will be eligible to apply for a GMAT substitution.**
* **An applicant with an LSAT or similar graduate level test score will be eligible to apply for a GMAT substitution.**
* **The GMAT substitution option will only be available to students who have completed an undergraduate or a graduate degree in the United States.**

**A student seeking admission who meets any of the above criteria may request a GMAT substitution. This request shall be in the form of a letter addressed to the MBA Director and should highlight the candidate’s ability to successfully complete the work involved in an MBA degree and/or unique and rich work experience.**

**On receipt of the GMAT substitution request, the MBA Director (or his/her designee) shall arrange for the candidate to be interviewed by a faculty/staff/alumnus. The interviewer’s report will be included in the admission package sent to the MBA Committee. The MBA Committee will rule on the admissibility of the candidate. A candidate who is denied admission following a GMAT substitution request can have their application for admission reviewed again if they provide a valid GMAT/GRE score prior to the application deadline.**

**Trial Period: The GMAT Substitution in the Full Time MBA Program will be administered for a period of three years. At the end of the trial period the MBA committee will evaluate the student outcomes from the program and determine its continuation.**

**Proposal for Modification in Admission Requirement to the EMBA/HCEMBA – GMAT/GRE Substitution**

The EMBA Program currently offers a GMAT waiver option to applicants who have a minimum of five years of work experience. **The Walton College MBA Committee proposes that students with less than five years’ experience, who meet key criteria be given the option to substitute the GMAT/GRE with alternate admission requirements such as an interview. This change will be enacted for a trial period of three years (Fall 2021, 2022, and 2023). After the trial period, the impact of this change will be assessed by the MBA committee (in terms of performance of the admitted students, and other associated student outcomes), before being made permanent.**

**Criteria:**

* **An applicant with a GPA of 3.25 and above will be eligible to apply for a GMAT substitution.**
* **An applicant with a terminal degree (PhD, JD, MD) will be eligible to apply for a GMAT substitution.**
* **An applicant with an LSAT or similar graduate level test score will be eligible to apply for a GMAT substitution.**
* **The GMAT substitution option will only be available to students who have completed an undergraduate or a graduate degree in the United States.**

**A student seeking admission who meets any of the above criteria may request a GMAT substitution. This request shall be in the form of a letter addressed to the MBA Director and should highlight the candidate’s ability to successfully complete the quantitative work involved in an MBA degree and/or unique and rich work experience.**

**On receipt of the GMAT Substitution request, the MBA Director (or his/her designee) shall arrange for the candidate to be interviewed by a faculty/staff/alumnus. The interviewer’s report will be included in the admission package sent to the MBA committee. The MBA Committee will rule on the admissibility of the candidate. A candidate who is denied admission following a GMAT substitution request can have their application for admission reviewed again if they provide a valid GMAT/GRE score prior to the application deadline.**