

Graduate Access Program

Frequently Asked Questions by Department

For full detail of the program description, please visit: https://www.utoledo.edu/cisp/gap.html

Q.1 - Is the GAP run every year?

Yes. The GAP program operates by the American Language Institute (ALI) calendar. Students can take GAP courses in any of the five ALI terms year-round. See ALI calendar for specific dates: https://www.utoledo.edu/cisp/ali/studentservices/calendar.html

Q.2 - Who checks students' language test (TOEFL/IELTS, etc.) score?

The College of Graduate Studies (CGS) checks students' initial language test score. If a student submits a GAP application concurrently with other application materials, CGS will send all other application materials to the department for preliminary review.

Q.3 - What's the department's role in the decision process?

After receiving a student's application from CGS, the department will review all collected materials except for the proof of language proficiency. If the student is admissible to the applied graduate program, the department will make the conditional admission decision.

Q.4 - What's the admission status of a student in the GAP?

A student in the GAP is officially admitted to the ALI with F1 student status. After successfully completing the GAP program, the student can apply for level change and get admission to the graduate program by CGS.

Q.5 – Is the proposed GAP only limited to language proficiency training or other test (GMAT & GRE) training? The GAP is exclusively developed to support international applicants' language proficiency. The requirement and examination of other test scores, such as GMAT and GRE is determined by the department.

Q.6 - Who pays for the tuition in the GAP program? Is it included in the GA-ship?

No. Because a student in the GAP is admitted to ALI first, the tuition will be student self-funded. The offering of GA-ship does not have direct connection with the GAP. Some international students may self-fund or have other sponsors for their graduate program tuition anyway.

Q.7 – Is the participation of GAP department based or program based?

(For example, can some graduate programs in a department consider students in the GAP whereas some others do not?)

The participation of GAP is program based. If a student applies to a graduate program with superior language proficiency requirement such and linguistics, the department makes the final decision of if considering an applicant admitted to the GAP.