



Prospective Student  
Online Chat Transcript  
Putting the Finishing Touches on  
Your January Round Application  
12/14/2016 12pm ET

## Activities

**Isabel Hines: For the activities portion of the application, can this include any leadership positions I have held within special interest groups within my company not directly related to my role? Or should this only include activities outside the professional realm?**

Pat Harrison: This may include activities at work.

**Anna Rogers: I lead a Professional Development team for my larger team. This is not a responsibility of my current role, just something I do to build leadership skills. Would this belong in the 'Employment' section of the app, or the 'Activities' section?**

Kristin Roth: You can include this under Activities if this is an optional role.

## Admissions Process and Miscellaneous

**xiaoshan nie: Hi thanks for hosting the Q&A session. I understand that international students are encouraged to apply by the Jan round to leave sufficient time for VISA application. Does it mean that international students will not be considered in the final round? Thx!**

Pat Harrison: International applicants are considered in all rounds, including April. I have not seen a problem with visas in the past for applicants admitted in the final round.

**Anubhav Singh: Hello! Curious if admission decisions are made on a rolling basis?**

Kristin Roth: No. All decisions are released on the decision deadline.

**Karl Leon: Hello! Are applications reviewed after the deadline or when you submit it? Thanks!**

Stephanie Butler: Hi Karl. We begin to review applications after the deadline. There's no advantage to submitting earlier (besides the relief you might feel!).

**Lydia Carthy: Is there typically a difference in how many students are admitted in round 1 vs. round 2? Or are they roughly the same?**

Stephanie Butler: Hi Lydia. I'm not exactly sure what rounds you're referring to, since Tuck has an Early Action Round, November Round, January Round, and April Round. But, offers vary year to year based on the pool and are respective to the amount of apps we get.

**Venkata Aditya: How much time is allocated to review each application?**

Kristin Roth: As much time as we need. We conduct a thorough and holistic review of each application.

**Himanshu Singh: Hi, I wanted to know about application fee waivers. What is the criterion for that? I did read on the website but I wanted to know is there an option of getting waiver based on GMAT score or through a current student's/alum's referral?**

Stephanie Butler: Hi Himanshu. We don't offer fee waivers based on merit (GMAT scores) or based on referrals. We do grant them for other reasons, such as those in the military. If you want to make a request based on financial reasons, please email the admissions office.

**James Kim: I am a non-traditional student going back to obtain my undergraduate due to a family medical issue and have worked within the investment banks in different roles for the past 8 years to support my family. Am I able to apply during my last year of school?**

Pat Harrison: Yes, you may apply while you are finishing school.

**Bitun Banerjee: Happy Holiday season all! What is the one big mistake applicants make that gets them rejected, especially this year?**

Stephanie Butler: Hi Bitun. Any sort of dishonesty within their application. Tuck operates under an honor code and this is a direct violation.

## **Application Specifics**

### ***Admissions Interview***

**Yi-Chieh Chen: I have a couple of questions regarding the interview, and the application itself. Firstly, I would like to understand how does the result of the applicant-initiated interview weigh into our application?**

Kristin Roth: We view applications holistically. Interviews are an important part, but just part of the application evaluation.

**Margaret Kullman: Are there any interviews available off campus?**

Stephanie Butler: Hi Margaret. The only way for an applicant to initiate their own interview is to come to campus in Hanover. However, if you're unable to do this, it's possible that after reviewing your application we will invite you. At that point you can do it via Skype.

**Apurwa Pokhrel: Ok great - thank you! Also, my second question is regarding the interview selection process. In the event that I am unable to participate in a self-initiated interview, what is the timeline associated with being selected for an interview?**

Pat Harrison: Interview invitations can go out at any time between submission of your application and the date we release final decisions. There is no set timeline.

Kristin Roth: You may be invited to interview up until the admission decision deadline. Invitations occur on a rolling basis.

**Mukul Sajnani: Does Tuck interview all accepted applicants or there are cases where applicants get accepted without interviews??**

Pat Harrison: All admitted applicants will have been interviewed.

**Harris Brett: How much time after the Jan. submittal deadline do you have to visit campus/interview?**

Kristin Roth: Please double check our website for specific deadlines, but you have until roughly the end of January.

**PA KIM: Hi there, is it better get a GMAT score and other materials done first and then visit the school and initiate interview?**

Pat Harrison: It is up to you. It does not matter to us, since we don't see anything until you have applied. I encourage you to spend sufficient time thinking about why you want an MBA, why Tuck, etc. before you interview.

**Susannah R: Hello! If I have scheduled an interview, but will be completing it after I submit my application, is there anywhere I should indicate this in the application?**

Pat Harrison: There is a place in the application to indicate the date you are interviewing, even if it is in the future.

**John Derian: Hey there, thank you so much for hosting the panel! I have a quick question about the interview process. Will you ask a candidate to come to Hanover if you feel like they may be a good fit, or is it the candidate's responsibility?**

Kristin Roth: You are strongly encouraged to visit campus to conduct an applicant-initiated interview. Check deadlines for interviews for each application round. If you can't visit by the deadline, you must submit your application and wait to see if you're invited.

**Minsoo Lyo: Hello! Am I correct in assuming that applicant-initiated interviews are only conducted on campus and that they cannot be conducted via Skype?**

Pat Harrison: Yes.

**Everette Sanders: Hi, I was wondering if there is a waitlist to be put on for candidate initiated interviews for certain dates in case of cancellations or changes by other candidates. Thank you!**

Kristin Roth: There is no waitlist for interview dates. Please keep an eye on the website for any openings.

**Alexander A: I would like to confirm whether applicant-initiated interviews need to be completed before the deadline or merely scheduled before the deadline. Thanks!**

Pat Harrison: It must be completed by the deadline.

**Maximilian Euchenhofer: Is it necessary or recommended to state in the 3rd essay why one will be unable to do a self-initiated interview? E.g. job overseas and no vacation possible in the time-frame.**

Pat Harrison: We provide a space to explain why you have not self-initiated an interview.

**Harris Brett: How can I be sure my interview is conducted prior to my application being reviewed?**

Sarah Hein: Hi Harris, if you self-initiate (applicant-initiated interview) then you will interview before your application is reviewed.

**Harris Brett: Which deadline must the interview be scheduled before? The acceptance or the application?**

Sarah Hein: Applicant-initiated interviews have their own deadlines-you can find them here (<http://www.tuck.dartmouth.edu/admissions/important-dates>) with the application deadlines.

### ***Who You've Talked to About Tuck***

**Yi-Chieh Chen: Secondly, under "Application Specifics", there is an optional section to briefly describe whom we have talked to about Tuck. Is it suitable to list down fellow Tuck students whom we have met and connected with post the applicant-initiated interview?**

Kristin Roth: Yes, just explain the connection so we understand how you know them.

**Yi-Chieh Chen: Thank you Kristin! A follow-up on my second question on "Application Specifics", would the Admissions Office like a brief summary of the interaction (i.e. what was discussed, etc.)?**  
Kristin Roth: Not necessary.

**Andrew Woodward: Hello! I have been connected through personal connections and mutual friends to a number of Tuck Alumni, is the best place to highlight these connections in the "Who have you spoken with about Tuck" section of the application?**  
Pat Harrison: Yes.

## **Awards**

**Joseph Neidermeyer: Hi Panel! There is a section dedicated to Awards and Recognition- Would this be for extracurriculars only, or would any employment related awards be appropriate here as well?**  
Kristin Roth: Both are perfectly fine. In addition, you can list academic recognition.

**Harris Brett: For the awards/recognitions, if you were part of a team that won an award but were not individually granted the word is that still applicable (i.e. my name is not tied to the award but I was a member of the team that was recognized)?**  
Stephanie Butler: Hi Harris. That's totally fine!

## **Centers and Initiatives**

**Kieron Stopforth: Please can you share more information about how MBA students can learn more about energy and opportunities for participating in activities with the Revers Center for Energy?**  
Kristin Roth: The Revers Center for Energy has a terrific website. In addition, you can reach out to the Revers Center through their email address to ask specific questions. Please be patient as staff and students are traveling at the moment.

**Pedro Ortez: Hello and thanks in advance. I am interested in learning more about the Tuck Capital Partners group/firm referenced on the Experiential Learning page but the link and all links to this particular site seem broken. How can I learn more about this group?**  
Kristin Roth: For more information on offerings from the Center for Private Equity and Entrepreneurship, please check out their website at <http://cpee.tuck.dartmouth.edu/>

## **Connecting with Tuck**

**Venkata Aditya Chimmappudi: Is there any way I can talk to more Tuck students? At the moment everyone seems to be on Christmas break?**  
Kristin Roth: Yes, our students are traveling during the holiday break and first-years are finishing up exams today. Learn more about Tuck through the 360 blog and check out our events page for coffee chats with students during the break!  
Stephanie Butler: Hi Venkata. You can absolutely reach out--Tuck Connections, the Student Ambassador Team, student clubs. That said, you're right, many are travelling or spending time with their families. Please be respectful of this and patient in waiting for their reply.

**Caroline Wright: Hi panel! I have had difficulty connecting with students on campus to discuss their clubs and experience. I've tried directly emailing. Is there a more formal process that I can go through?**

Kristin Roth: Tuck Connections, the Student Ambassador Team, student clubs are all great resources. That said, students are finishing up exams, traveling and spending time with their families. Please be respectful of this and patient in waiting for their reply.

**Andres Aronsohn: Hello. Unfortunately I will be unable to travel to the US and visit the campus. How would you suggest I can better appreciate the unique campus atmosphere Tuck is famous for?**

Stephanie Butler: Hi Andres. Talk to current students and alumni. Within your own network, via Tuck Connections, reaching out to Student Ambassadors and club co-chairs. Attend events in your city if able. Read the blog and watch videos!

**Rajesh Verma: Hi thanks for taking out the time and answering our queries. I am scheduled to attend a Tuck coffee session tomorrow, I wanted to know whether it's a one on one interaction?**

Sarah Hein: Hi Rajesh, coffee chats are usually small group chats with one or more persons from Tuck.

## **Curriculum (including TuckGO)**

**Karl Delatour: Hello. Thanks for hosting this chat. Can you very briefly describe the steps to pursue an independent study for credit? Is there a defined procedure or should we informally discuss with individual professors?**

Pat Harrison: There is a form that you must complete setting forth what you plan to study and which professors will be supervising you. The early stages of creating this would likely be through informal conversations with faculty.

**Joseph Neidermeyer: Is there a limit to how many TuckGO Expeditions you can make?**

Pat Harrison: Students can only complete one GIX, but it is possible to do a GIX and another international experience such as the on-site global consultancy, global FYP or exchange.

## **Educational Information**

### ***GPA***

**Austin Gilbertson: I have a low GPA from my undergraduate degree. What is the best way to address this in the third, optional essay?**

Kristin Roth: Honestly! And without fluff. If there are some extenuating circumstances (part-time jobs, illness, etc.), let us know. The important part is to acknowledge and explain.

**Chris Chapman: Hi! If I received transfer credits for coursework at another university, should those be used to calculate my GPA? Or, should I only report the GPA for coursework at the school from which I graduated?**

Pat Harrison: Your reported GPA should be what the school from which you graduated calculated. If they did not include the grades in your average GPA, you should not either. We do need the transcripts from those transferred classes.

**Susannah R: I wanted to confirm that if my undergraduate transcript lists my GPA in letter form, I should leave this field blank in the application?**

Pat Harrison: Correct.

**Igor Ustinov: Is it OK if my university doesn't provide a 4.0 grading scheme, but a translation agency that translated my transcripts added a conversion to 4.0 system?**

Pat Harrison: Please report your grades as your university does, even if that is not a 4.0 scale. We do not want a conversion.

### ***Other***

**Vinay Vatti: My undergraduate school didn't provide a class rank and I saw that it was necessary for the "Education" portion of the application. How should I handle that?**

Pat Harrison: It is not required. If the school does not provide rank then do not provide it.

### ***Transcripts***

**Maximilian Euchenhofer: Is it enough if the transcripts of my undergraduate institution are in English (grading scale German/European) or do you need a transfer of the grading scale?**

Stephanie Butler: Hi Maximilian. As long as the transcripts are in English, you're good! You do NOT need to try to convert grades to a 4.0 scale.

**Steven Fox: How important is it to show all transcripts (i.e. summer)? A programme is struggling to find my records. Thanks.**

Kristin Roth: If the summer classes and grades are included in your undergraduate transcript, we do not need a separate transcript. If they are not, we do need the summer program transcript.

**Isabel Hines: For the requested copy of the transcript, do you have a preference as to whether it is a copy of my official or unofficial transcript?**

Kristin Roth: We only need unofficial transcripts right now. We will need an official transcript should you be admitted and enroll.

## **Employment Information**

### ***Gaps in Employment***

**Amit Agarwal: Hi, I have a gap of 4 months during my professional career. In the application form, there is a section to explain any job gap in 200 words. The optional essay also asks to address job gaps. Is there a preference as to where I should address the job gap?**

Pat Harrison: If you need more than 200 words to explain, then you should use the optional essay.

**Max Hemm: I have a 4 month gap between graduation and starting my job that was spent sorting out the contract and visas, should I explain this in the optional essay?**

Pat Harrison: Yes, either in the optional essay or the space where we ask about job gaps.

### ***Other***

**Yaw Heng Tan: I am with an engineering degree and currently in commercial role as a pricing analyst but my post MBA goal will be in consulting firm. Would you see the gap from the transitioning from my pre-MBA function to post-MBA function to be too wide?**

Pat Harrison: That seems like a feasible switch, but the goal for every applicant is to explain why they are making a transition. It is all in how you tell your story.

Stephanie Butler: Hi Yaw Heng. If consulting is your goal, that's fine. It's up to you to demonstrate that you understand what it will take for you to get there. How are you going to utilize the MBA experience?

**Zheyuan Li: How much emphasis does the admission place on work experience? Do you have any suggestions for early-career applicants? Thanks!**

Pat Harrison: We do not have set values for any of the criteria we evaluate. It is a very holistic process. If you are early career, you should emphasize what you have accomplished so far, particularly leadership and impact you have had.

**Venkata Aditya Chimmappudi: How much does career progression matter in the review of application?**

Pat Harrison: We do not have set values for any of the criteria we evaluate. It is a holistic process. Different people shine for different reasons.

**ag9: I would love to be a social entrepreneur after Tuck. Will an unconventional path affect my chances of admission? Is it okay to discuss what potential plan B options are? Or would it be considered indecisive? Kindly advise.**

Stephanie Butler: We will appreciate that you're aware your preferred career might be difficult. It's ok to have another option, and as long as it's relevant there isn't an issue. If you're interested in social eship and your back up is ibanking, we might find it odd.

**Venkata Aditya Chimmappudi: I am interested in getting into Management Consulting industry post MBA. How competitive is it to get into general Management Consulting job than an industry specific Management Consulting job based on one's experience?**

Stephanie Butler: Many Tuck grads go into management consulting--more than any other career path. I do not have a break down as to the specific industries they'll work with.

## ***Resumes***

**Vinay Vatti: Is it OK to submit an updated resume in the final application vs. the one sent in for the interview? Or do they have to be the same?**

Stephanie Butler: Hi Vinay! That's completely fine

**Alejandro Tapia: Hi! I will have a new job starting January, right before I submit my application. What is the best way to show this in my resumé?**

Stephanie Butler: Hi Alejandro. Include it the same way you would all of your other jobs--in the employment section and on your resume. Also, please be sure to note under your previous job why exactly you left to start the new job months before beginning an MBA program.

## **Essays**

### ***Essay #1***

**Lin Duan: Hi there! For question 1, is it okay to spend some portion of the essay talking about past experience as it relates to future career goals?**

Stephanie Butler: Hi Lin. I wouldn't spend too much time outlining your resume, but you absolutely should note how your goals relate to previous experiences. This will help us understand WHY you're interested in what you are.

**Gaurav Verma: How ambitious can one be with long-term goals? And what sort of justifications will the admissions team be looking for it?**

Kristin Roth: As ambitious as is reasonable and honest for you. We're looking for goals that make sense and line up with your career path. We also want to see that you've done your research and know what you need to be successful.

**Mukul Sajjani: With respect to first essay...should we also give specific instances which suggest why MBA in the first place??**

Pat Harrison: You should address why you want to get an MBA.

Stephanie Butler: Hi Mukul. Yes, you don't have to dwell on it, but the AdCom should understand why you're pursuing the MBA.

**Jim Cole: Hi! Thanks for hosting this chat. I have a partner and two small children, who will all play an important role in my Tuck community/experience. Is the optional essay a good place to talk about that?**

Kristin Roth: You can include that in your first essay where we ask about why Tuck (essentially). If it doesn't fit there, you can add an optional essay.

**Mukul Sajjani: Dear Pat, It would be kind of you if you can answer - Is there any reason why the word wise has been used as an adjective with leader?**

Pat Harrison: Yes. Wise leadership is a key component of Tuck's mission.

**Mahesh Hariharan: Hi Kirstin - do candidates have to have defined specific career paths or can they have more broadly defined short-term and long-term goals? What if candidates would like to switch to a different industry after getting an MBA?**

Kristin Roth: Please explain your career goals and why you have chosen them. Help us understand your path to those goals and why an MBA from Tuck will help you achieve them.

## ***Essay #2***

**Apurwa Pokhrel: For Essay #2, is it acceptable to write about a volunteer experience? I'm an avid volunteer and have certain experiences I would like to highlight if possible.**

Stephanie Butler: Hi Apurwa! Absolutely. The idea is to understand how you've worked across/through differences. Make sure to get into these details--not just how you've observed differences.

**Isabel Hines: Hi there! For the second essay, it is okay to speak to differences that are not necessarily cross-cultural but rather differences in background / personality?**

Kristin Roth: You should choose the example that best reflects working across differences, keeping in mind that this question is basically asking you about stretching yourself and stepping outside your comfort zone.

**Harris Brett: Is it an issue to write about working with different backgrounds than me for essay 2, even though it may not be global differences?**



Stephanie Butler: Hi Harris. It does not have to be a global experience. That said, talking simply about starting a new job, or a new functional area, don't usually make the most compelling essay. Use your best judgement.

**Himanshu Singh: For essay #2, should one focus on a specific incident of an entire experience or is it better/advisable to describe the entire experience?**

Kristin Roth: A specific story tends to have more impact, although describing the context may be helpful.

**Aniket Patil: For the second essay, are there particular forms of differences that we ought to focus on (i.e., language or cultural differences)? Or can we discuss working with people who were different than us in other ways (i.e. veteran status, political beliefs. etc.)?**

Stephanie Butler: You can think about differences in a broad way. That said, please highlight how you worked through these, not just observed them. Similarly, consider situations that truly challenged you-- simply starting a new job doesn't usually make a compelling essay.

**Max Hemm: Hi, regarding the second essay. I've been working abroad for several years. Would it be preferable to talk about the experience in general or discuss specific interactions?**

Kristin Roth: A specific interaction that's representative of your general experience can be a very compelling essay subject. Telling a story, your actions and the end result tends to have more impact than generalities.

**Sean Darrow: For essay 2, is it okay to choose an experience from undergrad as opposed to an example from our work experience? Thanks!**

Kristin Roth: Choose something that best highlights your ability to work across differences. However, if you have a few choices of examples, a more recent example from work would likely be more compelling.

**Joseph Neidermeyer: If you are looking to attend an MBA program to help improve on your lack of Global Exposure, how is that taken into account in Essay 2?**

Stephanie Butler: That's a great attribute to look for in an MBA program. You can note this in your essays and/or your interview. E2 does not have to be global focused--think about the word diverse broadly.

**Mukul Sajnani: Dear Stephanie, With respect to the second essay does working with different functions really show the impact? What exactly would be a good impactful essay 2? Can you kindly elaborate? Maybe we have the experiences, but we just need help in portraying them.**

Stephanie Butler: Explain how exactly you worked across these differences and what you learned from the experience. Just setting the scene or observing differences isn't as compelling. The rest is up to you!

### ***Optional Essay***

**Yi-Chieh Chen: Lastly, from past experiences, has the admissions office found it beneficial for applicants to complete the optional essay? How does it correlate to the success of an application?**

Pat Harrison: The optional essay is truly optional. It should be used only if you have something that you need to convey that doesn't logically go somewhere else, e.g. unusual choice of recommender, gaps in employment, poor grades, etc.

**Betty Cheng-Yu Ou: Hi there! I would like to ask if there's word limit on optional essay?**

Stephanie Butler: Hi Betty. I'd stick to the 500 word limit from the other essays. Though it certainly doesn't have to be that long! Depending on the reason for using the optional essay, these are often only a few sentences.

**Yaw Heng Tan: For the optional essay, can I provide additional insight about myself (which I would like to highlight but unable to do so elsewhere) besides those stated in the question (weakness in academic, unexplained job gaps or unusual choice of evaluators)?**

Pat Harrison: Absolutely, you may include such additional information. Please be sure that you are being thoughtful in what you include and that it is truly additive.

**Maria Azul Cimerman Sariego: For the optional essay, can we use bullet points to speak about different things we want to mention which may not be related to each other?**

Stephanie Butler: Hi Maria. Yes, you're welcome to use bullets.

## ***Other***

**Manish Saroha: Hello! My question is - May I marginally exceed the word limit for the essays?**

Pat Harrison: Briefly going over the word limit is not a problem, but if you find yourself significantly over the limit, you should ask yourself if you are saying things as concisely as possible.

**Kieron Stopforth: If you're applying for a concurrent degree at another school - would you like to see this addressed in the essays? Or should the essays be focused on the Tuck MBA application only?**

Pat Harrison: It should be addressed in the essays.

**Maria Azul Cimerman Sariego: Hi Tuck. I know that some years ago applicants had to submit a separate essay for scholarships. Is this still the case? I do not see it in the application and wonder if it will need to be submitted at a later stage, or whether it was removed completely?**

Kristin Roth: You no longer need to submit a separate scholarship application.

## **Global Exposure**

**Lydia Carthy: How detailed would you recommend our answer be for the additional question asking about international experiences?**

Stephanie Butler: Hi Lydia. It can be nice to have a brief explanation of why you were abroad, or what you've learned from the experience. It does not however, have to be lengthy.

Kristin Roth: We want to see the breadth of your international experience. If easiest, that can be just a bullet list. You can also highlight in narrative form what you've learned from your experiences and use a specific experience as an example.

**Amrit Murthy: Hello - quick question regarding the Global Exposure short response. Since I have limited travel experience, would I also be able to briefly discuss the ways in which I hope to leverage Tuck's international opportunities going forward?**

Kristin Roth: If you choose to, absolutely.

**Liam Morrison: For the question "I have worked in a country other than my country of citizenship." does this imply "living & working" or would business trips qualify?**

Stephanie Butler: Check whatever box you see most applicable and explain in a few sentences below.

**Mohammed Noor Pandit: Hey Kristin, should I include all the international experiences in bullet points or only the most relevant ones in paragraph form?**

Kristin Roth: We want to see the breadth of your international experience. If easiest, that can be just a bullet list. You can also highlight in narrative form what you've learned from your experiences and use a specific experience as an example.

Pat Harrison: You may use either style. We encourage you to provide all of your experiences rather than just elaborating on one. If it is easier to use bullets that is fine.

## **Recommendations**

**Maximilian Euchenhofer: Hi There, first question would be if my recommenders have to fully complete their form in order to be considered for the January round?**

Kristin Roth: Yes, we need your completed letters of recommendation to complete your application and be considered for the application round.

**Helena Vargas: Regarding the recommendations, is there a way for the applicant to know if the person given the recommendation has completed the task?**

Kristin Roth: When you log into your application, you should be able to see on the checklist whether or not the recommendations have been turned in. We will let you know if we are missing anything after the deadline.

**Max Hemm: As a follow up to Maximilian's question, is there a grace period for delayed letters of recommendation to arrive or is it a "hard" deadline?**

Pat Harrison: We will give a very brief grace period for letters, but it is up to you to make sure that your recommenders are aware of deadlines and are following them.

**Flora Tian: Hi, one of my selected recommenders retired earlier of the year. Is it okay that I provide his personal email? Is there any additional information that I should provide for verification?**

Pat Harrison: That is fine. I would encourage you to briefly explain this in an optional essay.

**Minsoo Lyo: I have experience setting up and running a restaurant. Could I have my business partner be a recommender? Or is it ill-advised, as he was not my supervisor?**

Kristin Roth: You can include a business partner. Please also include a past supervisor if available and explain your recommender choices in the optional essay.

## **Test Scores (GMAT/GRE)**

**Vinay Vatti: Regarding official GMAT scores, do I need to provide the official "test taker copy" or pay GMAC to send the official scores to Tuck?**

Kristin Roth: You can send the official test taker copy, but you must also release your scores to Tuck through GMAC. You get a few for free, then must pay.

**Remy Onstad: Hello! Thank you for taking the time today. I have a question regarding receiving the official score reports in by the application deadline. The instructions are clear for the GMAT, but what about the GRE? Thank you!**

Kristin Roth: Same instructions for both standardized tests. Please self-report your scores and grant Tuck access to your official scores.

**Lin Duan: Hi, my question is regarding the GREs. How is it viewed compared to the GMATs? I have taken the GREs twice and I have a high quant score but not so high verbal score (and high writing score), would that seriously hurt my chances of admission?**

Stephanie Butler: It's a holistic evaluation process, so we look at many other areas in addition to the GRE scores. I would however try to compensate by demonstrating your communication skill through the essays, the interview, and if you're not a native speaker, the TOEFL.

**Mahesh Hariharan: My GMAT scores have been sent to Tuck through GMAC. Is there any way I can confirm if Tuck has received the official scores?**

Pat Harrison: As long you have had GMAC send them, you should assume we have them. We will reach out if they are missing.

**Sriya Karavadi: Hi, I wanted to know if it's alright that the official copy of the GMAT score reaches after the deadline? Also, what are the chances of getting a scholarship in the January round?**

Stephanie Butler: If the score will arrive within roughly a week, that's ok. If we don't have it, we'll email you before it goes for evaluation. We give scholarships to strong candidates in every round. Though as the admissions season progresses our budget naturally decreases.

**Alex Tercero: Hi Tuck. I am taking the GRE for the first time this week since I am applying to a dual degree program. If I am not satisfied with my score, could I retake the exam and submit a new score after the deadline?**

Kristin Roth: You can submit a new score and we will do our best to include it in your application for assessment, however we cannot guarantee that anything submitted after the deadline will be considered.

**Bharat Thakre: Hi, I have a GMAT Score, however I am planning to retake the exam on 27th Jan. So, if I can increase my score, which I think I can, is there any provisions to send the updated score for the consideration of my application.**

Pat Harrison: You are welcome to submit a new score to the admissions email account. We will try to include it with your file, but officially, you must have submitted all scores by the application deadline.

**Bharat Thakre: Hi, Thanks for the response. Just to confirm, the last date for round 2 is 4th Jan & I'll send the updated score on 27th Jan. So will my new score be considered or my application will be processed with the current score.**

Pat Harrison: We cannot make any promises that a GMAT score submitted after the application deadline will be considered. We will do our best to try.

**Bitun Banerjee: Cheers! Thanks. Do we have to submit both the unofficial and official scores for the GMAT?**

Kristin Roth: Yes.

**xiaoshan nie: Hi I know the GMAT score report will show all schools I have sent my GMAT scores to. But actually I did not apply to all those schools. Will the recipients of my GMAT scores have an impact on my Tuck application? Will AdCom question school selections?**

Pat Harrison: We will not take other schools listed on the report into consideration.