



***Other than the OAT, are there other standardized admissions tests accepted by SCCO?***

**What tests does SCCO accept besides the OAT, and is there anything else I should know when considering taking these tests instead?**

While the OAT is the preferred standardized test, SCCO does accept the MCAT, DAT, or PCAT. SCCO will also accept the GRE for those applicants with a BCP (biology chemistry physics) GPA of 3.5 or higher (there is no minimum GPA qualification for the MCAT, DAT, or PCAT).

Once your application is submitted and verified, OptomCAS calculates the BCP GPA which will be available for your review. It will be OptomCAS' calculation of your any one of your GPAs that will be official. To calculate your own BCP GPA, combine all biology, chemistry, and physics grade points and divide by the total units. To combine quarter and semester units, use a conversion ratio of 3 quarter units equals 2.7 semester units or use an online GPA calculator that converts the units for you.

**What are considered competitive GRE scores? Are there any minimum requirements?**

To be competitive, here is what advised should you decide to apply with GRE scores:

- Quantitative Reasoning section score of 167
- Verbal section score of 162
- Minimum requirement of BCP (biology, chemistry, physics) GPA of 3.50

**What are considered competitive scores for MCAT, DAT, or PCAT scores? Are there any minimum requirements?**

To be competitive, here is what advised should you decide to apply with one of these standardized test scores:

- MCAT: 480 - 500 range
- DAT: 17 -19 range
- PCAT: 415 - 430 range
- No minimum requirements for scores or GPA

**Do these scores ever expire?**

Just like the OAT, these other standardized test scores do expire. The test must be taken within the two year period prior to the opening of the admissions cycle on July 1.

**If I opt to take a test other than the OAT, will I be evaluated differently than someone who takes the OAT?**

Applying with standardized test scores other than the OAT will not make you any less competitive.

If you are submitting GRE test scores and given that you meet the minimum 3.5 BCP GPA, SCCO's application review process and standards are the same regardless of which standardized test an applicant submits.

**How do I get my official scores submitted to SCCO for evaluation?**

Follow OptomCAS instructions to submit your GRE scores as a part of your OptomCAS application. For the DAT, MCAT, and PCAT, log onto the respective testing sites and have your official scores submitted by using the service offered, either by sending them directly to SCCO via U.S. mail or email.

Electronic submission to: [ODAdmissions@ketchum.edu](mailto:ODAdmissions@ketchum.edu) care of Jane Ann Munroe, OD Assistant Dean of Admissions, SCCO

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