

GRADUATE SCHOOL DECISION-MAKING CHART

Use the following chart to help you determine the best “match” between your interests and various advanced-degree programs.

My overall GPA:

My GPA in Psychology:

My GRE score:

CRITERIA	PROGRAM A	PROGRAM B	PROGRAM C
Name of University			
Name of Department			
Deadlines			
Degree Awarded (MA, PhD, etc)			
Average time required to complete degree			
Acceptance rate			
Average GPA of most recent entering class			
GRE required?			
Average GRE score of most recent class			
Number of full-time students			
Number of part-time students			
Average age of students in program			
Faculty-student ratio			
Faculty research of interest to me:			
Tuition costs			
Are assistantships available?			
Are fellowships/grants available?			
Have I been offered financial assistance?			
Prestige of university (rate 1-5)			
Prestige of program (rate 1-5)			
What is the placement rate of graduates?			
How big is the library?			
Rating of computer facilities			
Desirable geographic location?			
Other factors important to me:			