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If you've decided to take the plunge and apply to MBA programs in the upcoming months, congratulations! Hopefully you have the significant work experience needed to impress admissions committees. Alongside taking a look at how you've fared in the workforce, schools will of course evaluate your file based on your numbers. As you build your list, taking a look at the average GPAs, GMAT scores, and acceptance rates across schools can help you decide whether a program is a good fit with your stats.

To decide where you stand in comparison to students who've been admitted to these institutions, it helps to have an idea of what the schools expect. Aside from bringing unique work and extracurricular experiences, how good should your numbers be? To give you a better understanding of the data at top programs, I've included the median GPA, GMAT score, and acceptance rates for admitted students at the top 100 business schools in the table below.

Rank	School Name	Median GPA	Median GMAT Score	Acceptance Rate
1	Stanford University	3.70	734	6.9%
1	University of Pennsylvania (Wharton)	3.61	732	23.1%
3	Northwestern University (Kellogg)	3.64	730	27%
3	University of Chicago (Booth)	3.58	730	24.2%
5	Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Sloan)	3.58	727	14.6%
6	Harvard University	3.70	728	11.5%
7	University of California - Berkeley (Haas)	3.67	725	17.7%
8	Columbia University	3.60	732	16.4%
9	Yale University	3.64	721	25.2%
10	New York University (Stern)	3.52	721	26.1%
11	University of Virginia (Darden)	3.50	713	36.5%

12	Dartmouth College (Tuck)	3.52	723	34.5%
12	Duke University (Fuqua)	3.50	705	22.9%
12	University of Michigan (Ross)	3.45	719	30.9%
15	Cornell University (Johnson)	3.41	696	38.3%
16	University of California - Los Angeles (Anderson)	3.50	717	30.5%
17	University of Southern California (Marshall)	3.54	708	29.9%
18	University of Texas - Austin (McCombs)	3.42	704	38.1%
19	Carnegie Mellon University (Tepper)	3.30	687	42.8%
20	University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill (Kenan-Flagler)	3.38	697	52.9%
20	University of Washington (Foster)	3.39	695	36%
22	Emory University (Goizueta)	3.23	684	49.7%
23	Indiana University (Kelley)	3.30	666	49.9%
23	Vanderbilt University (Owen)	3.32	678	60.1%
25	Georgetown University (McDonough)	3.31	694	60.4%
25	Rice University (Jones)	3.42	710	37.3%
27	Georgia Institute of Technology (Scheller)	3.30	681	40.1%
28	University of Florida (Warrington)	3.59	691	17.3%
28	University of Minnesota - Twin Cities (Carlson)	3.43	675	47.9%
30	Brigham Young University (Marriott)	3.55	675	59.2%
30	University of Notre Dame (Mendoza)	3.28	665	53.1%

30	Washington University in St. Louis (Olin)	3.50	695	43.4%
33	University of Georgia (Terry)	3.51	663	41%
33	University of Texas - Dallas	3.40	675	40.6%
35	Arizona State University (W.P. Carey)	3.53	680	31.1%
35	University of Rochester (Simon)	3.42	665	26.1%
37	Ohio State University (Fisher)	3.45	679	51.7%
37	University of Wisconsin - Madison	3.38	658	43.7%
39	University of Pittsburgh (Katz)	3.39	633	38%
40	Michigan State University (Broad)	3.34	674	58.7%
41	Pennsylvania State University - University Park (Smeal)	3.38	657	22.9%
41	Southern Methodist University (Cox)	3.30	652	64.2%
41	University of Alabama (Manderson)	3.67	652	62.5%
44	Texas A&M University - College Station (Mays)	3.24	625	47.7%
44	University of Maryland - College Park (Smith)	3.29	643	38.3%
46	University of Arizona (Eller)	3.52	659	20.8%
46	University of Tennessee - Knoxville (Haslam)	3.53	657	51.6%
48	Boston College (Carroll)	3.36	640	57.5%
48	Boston University (Questrom)	3.43	683	49.6%
48	University of California - Davis	3.41	667	43.1%
48	University of Utah (Eccles)	3.49	651	46.4%

52	North Carolina State University (Poole)	3.50	608	53.8%
53	George Washington University	3.21	616	40.1%
53	Iowa State University	3.50	577	75%
53	University of Massachusetts - Amherst (Isenberg)	3.43	628	29.9%
56	Auburn University (Harbert)	3.33	580	38.5%
56	Baylor University (Hankamer)	3.43	617	52.7%
56	Rutgers - Newark and New Brunswick	3.26	664	33.6%
56	Texas Christian University (Neeley)	3.26	627	75%
60	University at Buffalo - SUNY	3.39	599	66.3%
61	Northeastern University	3.27	621	32.5%
62	CUNY Bernard M. Baruch College (Zicklin)	3.21	610	41.8%
62	Temple University (Fox)	3.39	587	50%
62	University of Missouri (Trulaske)	3.59	621	64.1%
62	University of South Carolina (Moore)	3.30	656	74.2%
62	William & Mary	3.20	629	74.5%
67	University of California - Irvine (Merage)	3.48	670	31.8%
68	University of Kansas	3.32	590	73.4%
69	Louisiana State University - Baton Rouge	3.50	596	68.6%
70	Howard University	3.16	511	41.9%
70	University of Colorado - Boulder (Leeds)	3.30	606	78.3%

72	Babson College (Olin)	3.22	595	78.9%
72	University of Miami	3.30	631	61.9%
74	Chapman University (Argyros)	3.40	623	54%
74	Tulane University (Freeman)	3.20	608	66.7%
74	University of Connecticut	3.41	615	50.7%
77	Stevens Institute of Technology	3.00	594	71%
77	Syracuse University (Whitman)	3.55	636	68.2%
77	University of Kentucky (Gatton)	3.50	634	79.8%
80	Fordham University (Gabelli)	3.23	657	47.6%
80	Purdue University - West Lafayette (Krannert)	3.43	631	59.4%
80	University of Denver (Daniels)	3.28	616	48.4%
83	Clemson University	3.30	550	81.7%
83	Pepperdine University (Graziadio)	3.27	597	79.5%
85	Florida State University	3.51	545	73.7%
85	University of Louisville	3.30	616	58.1%
85	University of Oklahoma (Price)	3.31	604	73%
88	Case Western Reserve University	3.10	637	67.9%
89	Clarkson University (Reh)	3.53	566	78.9%
89	Rochester Institute of Technology	3.33	531	68.8%
89	University of California - San Diego (Rady)	3.30	644	40.6%

92	Oklahoma State University (Spears)	3.44	538	67.1%
92	Texas Tech University (Rawls)	3.60	Not publicized	56.8%
92	University of Mississippi	3.38	552	35%
95	College of Charleston	3.30	519	85.2%
95	University of California - Riverside (Anderson)	3.30	607	61.8%
95	University of Houston (Bauer)	3.12	602	60.3%
95	University of Oregon (Lundquist)	3.37	599	73.9%
99	American University (Kogod)	3.08	618	56.9%
100	Appalachian State University (Walker)	3.45	Not publicized	94.3%

Now that you've seen the admitted student numbers at the top 100 business schools, hopefully you have a better idea of the standard that these different programs expect. As you make your school list and study for the GMAT, carefully think about your target numbers to ensure that you're geared up to stand out among the competition. Good luck!