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- Cornell Johnson Website: <http://www.anderson.ucla.edu/>
- Cornell Full Time MBA Class of 2018 Discussion: <http://gmatclub.com/forum/calling-all-johnson-cornell-applicants-2016-intake-class-of-200239.html>
- Cornell NYC-Tech MBA Class of 2017 Discussion: <http://gmatclub.com/forum/calling-all-cornell-nyc-tech-mba-applicants-2016-intake-class-of-200240.html>

Happening Now: Live Chat with Cornell (Johnson) Admission Directors!!!

Topic set by Narenn on Tue Dec 15 2015 22:24:01 GMT+0530 (India Standard Time)

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Hello Everyone, Thank you for joining GMAT Club Cornell (Johnson) Q&A session today and a BIG welcome to Cornell (Johnson) Admission Team Members:

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1. Eddie Asbie, Associate Director of Admissions and Financial Aid

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4. Heather Wiese, Admissions and Application Manager

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Today Eddie, Jade, Chris, and Heather will answer your questions regarding applications, essays, interviews, and life at Cornell. This chat is now open for Q&A. Please ask your questions to Cornell team members one by one.

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Hi Team! Good morning..

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MapleTree

good morning eddie, jade, heather, and chris

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Cornell_Eddie

Hi everyone! My name is Eddie Asbie and I'm here with my team to answer any questions you have regarding Johnson

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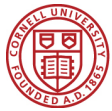
Cornell_ChrisLind

Hello Everyone!

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Cornell_Jade

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| 22:31 | DDDA123 | What aspects of the application require further development if offered waitlist position |
| 22:35 | Cornell_Eddie | @DDDA123, thank you for joining us. If on the waitlist, it's important that you self reflect on your application. Think of GMAT, letters of recs, etc. How can you improve your application? |
| 22:32 | v1 | When can we expect Round 2 Interview Invites? |
| 22:32 | Cornell_Jade | We are currently reviewing round 2 applications, and interview invitations are starting to be sent now. |
| 22:32 | rohitcj | There has been a recent news item on the possibility of various schools merging to form a single management school. Will this affect the MBA class in any way? |
| 22:34 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @rohitcj from our understanding, the merger should not affect the MBA degree. However, they are in the very early stages of this merger. Information regarding the new College of Business will be released as it comes out. |
| 22:33 | KAltosaar | What is unique about Johnson from other business schools in the US? |
| 22:36 | Cornell_Eddie | @KAltosaar, a couple things that makes Johnson unique is the small class size and our immersion learning approach. http://www.johnson.cornell.edu/Two-Year-MBA/Curriculum/Immersion-Learning |
| 22:33 | MBA21 | For round one applicants who interviewed in early November, when should expect decisions to be announced? |
| 22:35 | Cornell_Jade | @MBA21, for those who interview, final decisions will be released on a rolling basis, so there is no set date on when a decision will be posted, but we plan to release some decisions before winter break |
| 22:33 | mib_5prkq8 | Any timeline for Park Fellows who have attended LEAD days? |
| 22:36 | Cornell_Jade | @mib-5prkq8, regarding post LEAD attendance, you will receive scholarship decisions along with your final admission decision, which will also be released on a rolling basis |
| 22:34 | mib_762138 | My name is Abhinav Singh. I am applying in round 3. Are my chances of getting accepted are less |

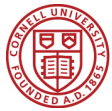


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| | | as compared to people who have applied in round 2 and round 3. |
| 22:35 | Cornell_Heather | @Abhinav Singh, There will be fewer seats in the class and the pool remains very competitive. You can still have a good chance of acceptance. |
| 22:34 | mib_3lpiwm | Does round 3 have the same opportunities of acceptance as the first two rounds, or are most spots given during the first two rounds? |
| 22:37 | Cornell_Heather | @3lpiwn- Round 3 will have fewer seats in the class to fill. Round 3 will still be very competitive. We cannot determine how many seats are given out, this all depends applicant pool, which again has been very competitive. You still have good chances of being accepted. |
| 22:34 | Candidate20 | For those interested in the Cayuga Fund is it highly selective or do most who are interested able to participate? |
| 22:38 | Cornell_Eddie | @Candidate20, thank you for joining us today. The Cayuga Fund is very competitive. There will be an application process you will have to go through |
| 22:34 | v1 | Are Round 2 interview invites sent on a rolling basis? |
| 22:38 | Cornell_Jade | @v1 the round 2 interview invites will sent on a rolling basis as well |
| 22:34 | mg2018 | Many of us have been anxiously awaiting final decisions for Round 1. When will final decisions begin to be released? |
| 22:40 | Cornell_Jade | @mg2018 round 1 initial notification decisions were released today, if you interviewed then those final decisions will be released on a rolling basis, with some decisions being released prior to winter break |
| 22:34 | HaoxiangYang | Hi Chris and all admission officers, I'm Haoxiang Yang, applying 2-year full time MBA, class of 2018, done with GMAT, writing essays now. I have 4 questions: |
| 22:34 | HaoxiangYang | 1. Your website mentioned "You work side by side with them, and with your classmates, in our intense, collaborative community." I'm just wondering how intense it will be on course work? I heard from some alumni that it's pretty challenging from as a career switch without business background. |



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| 22:41 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @haoxiangYang Both the One-year and Two-year MBA programs are full-time residential MBA programs with a heavy course load. The Two-year MBA Program is typically geared to individuals looking to make a career change while the One-year Program is geared for those looking to stay within their current field and use the MBA to move up the latter in their industry. |
| 22:36 | HaoxiangYang | 2. How's your personal experience of Johnson's collaborative community? I watched some video of interview with current students on YouTube, they all mentioned sth like 2nd year students sacrifice their person time to help 1st students, career service is very helpful, students in the same learning team value and help each others. |
| 22:36 | HaoxiangYang | I felt the similar collaboration experience examples when interviewed with other schools' students. So what's the unique collaboration experience can you please tell here in Johnson, compared with other schools' collaboration culture? |
| 22:43 | Cornell_Eddie | @HaoxiangYang, thank you for joining us. My experience here at Johnson has been wonderful. The culture here is very strong and positive. We have very ambition students and faculty willing to help. If you haven't visited, I would encourage you to |
| 22:35 | BrendanWRiley | My name is Brendan Riley. I work in the insurance industry. I am seeking an MBA to move into Investment Banking. |
| 22:35 | makeitlarge | I have been waitlisted. I want to understand what kind of updates can be provided and how? |
| 22:35 | mib_03qejm | Hi Admission officer, I interviewed with Johnson six weeks ago for round one. I wonder when do I expect to hear back from Johnson in regards to the final decision. |
| 22:36 | RZ | I am interested in real estate investment post MBA and know that Cornell's Baker program in Real Estate is very well-known in the industry. Could you elaborate how can Johnson students strengthen their real estate capabilities? |
| 22:41 | Cornell_Eddie | @RZ, Thank you for joining us. Johnson students strengthen their real estate capabilities by taking advanced real estate courses at Johnson or through the Baker Real Estate program or with a dual degree |
| 22:36 | mib_762138 | Also, in round 3 what are the chances for getting scholarship? |



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| 22:37 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @mib_762138 During the Round 3 deadline we will still be offering admission and potential merit-based scholarship. Merit-based scholarship is never guaranteed to be award, but it will be reviewed for. |
| 22:36 | BoburBoboyorov | Hi Johnson Team, I am an international applicant, from Uzbekistan. I am planning to bring my wife and son, so I am eager to benefit from diverse opportunities of school, such as on-campus housing. Do the students coming with partners have any advantage during on-campus housing distribution? What do you feel are the pros and cons of being located NY? |
| 22:36 | hiajit | When you hold an applicant on the waitlist without interviewing the applicant, what is it that is expected of the applicant? You have mentioned GMAT, letters of recs, etc. Do you mean one needs to submit this additional information to you going forward for reconsideration? |
| 22:36 | mib_03qejm | Will the decision released by email or phone call? |
| 22:36 | Ioki2686 | also to add to that question on waitlist, what if the GMAT and GPA are above the median score? |
| 22:37 | AlishaGandhi | Hi Eddie, my name is Alisha Gandhi and I am reapplying to the Cornell Full Time MBA Program after being waitlisted in the last admission cycle. I'd like to know how what aspects of the previous application are considered. Also, how would you suggest a re-applicant handle the Table of Contents essay considering that there would be only minor changes to make. |
| 22:47 | Cornell_Eddie | @AlishaGandh, I hope all is well. My recommendations as a re-applicant who has been waitlisted is to really be able to highlight how you have strengthened you application since you last applied. This is very key! |
| 22:39 | ChuhyoungCho | Hi Team!! Good morning! Can I enroll in a Dual degree(Real Estate) for 1 yr MBA candidates? If possible, how long does it take? |
| 22:49 | Cornell_Jade | @ChuhyoungCho the dual degree real estate program is a 3 year program but the MBA program requires two years, you cannot do it in one year |
| 22:39 | ChudIA | Is the selection process the same for the One-Year and Two-Year MBA programs? Is one necessarily more competitive than the other? |
| 22:52 | Cornell_Jade | @ChudIA the one year and two year programs are reviewed separately, as they do have different requirements to be eligible for the program however the application process itself |



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| | | is very similar. Since there are different requirements, the selection process is a bit different since an advanced degree is required. The two year program is more competitive, as the application pool is much larger, however both programs are selective and competitive |
| 22:40 | Shrey | Hi my name is Shrey Sinha from NJ. Is there a negative "weight" associated with having a single recommendation versus two? |
| 22:43 | Cornell_Heather | @Shrey, There is no Negative weight on only submitting 1 recommendation letter. Johnson only requires 1 recommendation letter. |
| 22:40 | Guest58928 | today is Dec. 15. do you send your final decision out today for R1 applications? |
| 22:41 | mib_bsy7x9 | Hello, Cornell Admissions! I have a question about the "table of contents" essay. Could you please explain in greater detail as what is expected? Only brief summary points without explanation afterwards? Thanks!! |
| 22:43 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @mib_bsy7x9 Out Table of Contents essay is your opportunity to highlight your creative side. We have received submission of the Table of Contents essay in essay form, power power-point and video (just to name a few). |
| 22:45 | mib_bsy7x9 | @Cornell_ChrisLind, thanks for the response... I'm still a bit confused how a table of contents could be 500 words. Sorry for the confusion, I get the creativity part, but I'm just wondering about detail. |
| 22:48 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @mib_bsy7x9 The Table of Contents essay is a creative essay, there is typically no wrong answer. I would to overthink the 500 word maximum. |
| 22:41 | Candidate20 | thank you for the info EDDIE ... a follow up question would be ... does that mean that students with pre MBA investment jobs will have a hard time getting into it? |
| 22:42 | Candidate20 | sorry i meant no* pre mba investment xp |
| 22:49 | Cornell_Eddie | @Candidate20, to be honest, I'm not sure. I would contact the team responsible for reviewing applications to get a sense of who gets in year-to-year |
| 22:42 | mib_u6bkxb | You said "before winter break", when is Cornell's winter break? |



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| 22:44 | Cornell_Jade | Sorry, @mib_u6bkxb the University will be closed starting Dec. 24 and returning on Jan. 4 |
| 22:46 | Cornell_Jade | At the time your final decision is available, you will receive an email notification letting you know when you can then login to your application online and view your decision letter. |
| 22:43 | rushd25 | Good afternoon team! My name is Rushang Desai and I'm applying to the One-Year Program in Round 3. The website does not include the CMAM Immersion as available for the 1 Year students. Would it be possible to pursue that specific immersion as a 1 year Student? |
| 22:43 | makeitlarge | @Cornell_ChrisLind - asking again because my question has been lost somewhere I guess - I have been waitlisted without interview - can you suggest what kind of updates can I provide and how to strengthen my profile? |
| 22:46 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @makeitlarge I would encourage you to look at your application as a whole and try and identify some potential weaknesses. I would also encourage you to compare your current application to the current class profile. Please feel free to have your recommender email their letter to me directly at ctl52@cornell.edu. I would be happy to add it for you. |
| 22:44 | Sharan | The average GMAT score from the Indian applicant pool is higher than the overall average. Is a low GMAT from an Indian applicant a bigger weakness as the comparison is with other Indian applicants? |
| 22:46 | Cornell_Heather | @Sharan- Thank you for Joining us. The GMAT is only 1 part of the application that will be reviewed. The applicant pool is very competitive. But this ranges from all countries. Your outcome cannot be determined solely on GMAT score. |
| 22:44 | Shrey | Thanks Heather! |
| 22:48 | ToddBrewer | Hi team. Is it possible to sit in at an immersion class once next semester starts? Thanks! |
| 22:51 | Cornell_Eddie | @ToddBrewer, thank you for joining the chat. After the break, you will be able to see what classes are available for a visit. If an immersion is not offered, you can reach out to the faculty lead to see if they are ok with you sitting in on the class |
| 22:48 | MDJ | Hi Chris and all admission officers, My name is Marie J., applying 2-year full time MHA, class of 2018 round 3, I just begin the process. I have 4 questions: When is the Deadline to apply for the Master in Healthcare Administration? Does the Master in Healthcare Administration at Cornell |



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| | | help graduate finds job when they graduate? What is the total tuition f |
| 22:52 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @MDJ The MHA runs out of a separate admissions office. I would encourage you to reach out to their office for further detail regarding their application process. When applying to the Dual Degree program, you will have to apply and be admitted into each program separately. |
| 22:48 | joyandbliss | Hi Eddie, Jade, Chris and Heather..I would like to know approximately how many students opt for the MBA/MILR program per year and whether you have international students (if yes, how many per year?)taking this route. Thanks... |
| 22:50 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @joyandbliss It varies year to year. On average we have about 5 to 10 MILR/MBA Dual Degree students. |
| 22:53 | Cornell_Eddie | @joyandbliss, there are between 5-10 students in the MBA/MILR program each year. Yes, there are international students in the program |
| 22:48 | Sharan | Hello, Is the 3rd round a complete no no for International applicants? |
| 22:49 | Cornell_Heather | @Sharan- no You can apply round 3 for international students |
| 22:48 | HaoxiangYang | Regarding to career, I'm very interested in learning the Leadership development program (LDP) opportunities. Those rotation programs 1-2 years in US and back to China for permanent positions. What are the companies come to Johnson to hire these LDP positions, and what are their industries and job functions? |
| 22:51 | hiajit | Hi Chris. If 2 letters of recommendation have already been submitted, do you accept another letter for waitlisted candidates? |
| 22:51 | Cornell_Heather | @hiajit no you do not need to submit another letter as a waitlisted candidate |
| 22:51 | MapleTree | So far, what is the maximum and minimum GMAT score for an accepted student this year ? |
| 22:55 | Cornell_Heather | @MapleTree We do not have a minimum or maximum. We do see Perfect GRE scores , and our average GMAT is 700 . |
| 22:52 | Ioki2686 | Will wait listed R1 candidates be considered before the R1 deposit deadline? |

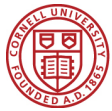


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| 22:57 | Cornell_Heather | @loki2686 we look at wait list candidates throughout the whole application cycle , This means it may or may not meet the R1 deposit deadline. |
| 22:53 | Candidate20 | Is this a high volume app year? would you suggest for someone who is really passionate about going to Johnson and has on the border stats to wait for R1 next year rather than R3 now? |
| 23:00 | Cornell_Jade | @Candidate20 we have had 2 application deadlines pass and have 2 more rounds this year, my advice would be to reflect on your application, look at the class profile from last year's incoming class, and then you must decide if you think your application is strong enough to submit. If you feel you have a strong application this year, then I would say to apply. |
| 22:53 | ChudIA | Dear Team: I plan to write the GRE in February. Are GRE applicants at a disadvantage compared to those who wrote the GMAT? |
| 22:54 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @chudla The Admissions Committee accepts both the GMAT and GRE. There is no preference given for either score. |
| 22:53 | realsteel | @Cornell_Heather When do we start expecting full fledged round 2 invites roll out? |
| 22:55 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @realsteel Round 2 Initial notifications is guaranteed for February 15, 2016. Final decision will sent out rolling after that. |
| 22:54 | hiajit | Thanks Heather. So for waitlisted candidates, apart from letters of recommendation & GMAT scores, what else do you suggest to be shared with you? |
| 23:00 | Cornell_Heather | @hiajit - Yes you can submit more recommendation letters, or anything that you feel will increase your chances. The things we see most common are employment promotions, increase in test scores. |
| 22:54 | MapleTree | What is the maximum age for an accepted student in last 2 -3 years at Cornell? |
| 23:00 | Cornell_Eddie | @MapleTree, There is no min or max age for our program. You will see average age is around 27. It's important to understand why an MBA now? If you feel you can submit a strong application next year, then you may want to reflect on when is the best time for you. |
| 22:54 | v1 | Are there students pursuing MEng-MBA Dual Degree program ? How many students on an |



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| | | average pursue this? |
| 22:54 | joyandbliss | Thank you Chris...for a dual degree program such as MBA/MILR, how do scholarships work? Is it like each program needs to offer scholarships separately in case I am eligible for scholarships? Secondly, how are the program costs split up? |
| 22:57 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @joyandbliss All Dual Degree applicants must go through the application process for each school. Tuition and scholarships are billed and awarded each school. |
| 22:55 | Mayank | Hi Eddie. Is Semester in Strategic Operations (SSO), Digital Technology Immersion open for 1 year MBA as same is not mentioned in the website? |
| 23:03 | Cornell_Eddie | @Mayank, you may notice some immersions are not listed for the One-Year program but that does not mean you cannot do it. You will have to get permission from the faculty lead. As for the new tech immersion, I am not sure. |
| 22:56 | loki2686 | @Cornell_Heather What is the average wait list to admit conversion ratio? |
| 22:58 | Cornell_Eddie | @loki2686, thank you for joining the chat. If you have a good GMAT and GPA and on the waitlist, I would consider getting another letter of recommendation. I would encourage you to look at your goals essay again and does it make sense? If any work gaps, make sure you explain. |
| 22:56 | rushd25 | @Cornell_ChrisLind I understand that there has been an increase in the One-Year class size over the recent years. Is it true for this year as well? |
| 22:58 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @rushd25 The One-year class size will increase slightly this year. We hope to have 80 One-year students this year; up from 76 One-year Students last year. |
| 22:57 | DDDA123 | @Cornell_Eddie should waitlisted applicants send profile updates in a time or should they send updates once they have? |
| 23:07 | Cornell_Eddie | @DDDA123, I recommend a waitlist candidate to stay in touch but without overdoing it. Send updates that you truly feel will be valuable to your candidacy. |
| 22:57 | ChudIA | Thanks. Since I take the GRE on February 6, scores may not be out for several dates. Can I submit the application for Round 3 pending the test date or wait for final round. I am also an |

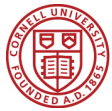


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| | | international candidate. |
| 23:00 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @chudla you are able to submit your application, I would recommend indicating your GRE test date within your application. Once we have received your GRE score your application would then be sent on for review by the Admissions Committee. |
| 22:58 | loki2686 | If the goals essay is off target what should be done to rectify it? |
| 23:03 | Cornell_Heather | @loki2686 if your goals essay is off target you will want to explain why that is and where your new goals are leading you. help us identify where you want to be and why. |
| 22:58 | cscs | Hi, thank you for holding this session, for students who wants to specialize in the energy industry, apart from clubs, which immersion and electives would you suggest in particular |
| 22:59 | ChuhyoungCho | Jade, Thank you very much! However, I saw an interesting paragraph in your brochure book. "Many 1 yr MBA students enroll in one of our unique dual degree programs; they earn their MBA and ~~~ such as ~~~ Real Estate" So I was confused. Please enlighten me? |
| 23:07 | Cornell_Jade | @ChuhyoungCho, dual degrees are complex, as each program is different and there are multiple ways to obtain both degrees. I would encourage you to reach out to Eddie Asbie after the chat to talk with him more regarding the dual degree options. |
| 23:00 | rushd25 | @Cornell_ChrisLind Thank you for the response |
| 23:00 | BoburBoboyorov | Hi Johnson Team, I am an international applicant (Uzbekistan). I am planning to bring my wife and son, so I am eager to benefit from diverse opportunities of school, such as on-campus housing. Do the students coming with partners have any advantage during on-campus housing distribution? What do you feel are the pros and cons of being located NY? |
| 23:12 | Cornell_Jade | @BoburBoboyorov I think it would be beneficial for you to reach out to a current student with this question, as they can talk about their experience with you and provide some advice. Our Joint Ventures club would be a great resource http://johnson.campusgroups.com/jv/about/ If you'd like you can also reach out to the residential office to inquire about the selection process, as I am not positive on the process |
| 23:00 | cscs | how do the adcom view people who are currently working pro-bono? |



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| 23:16 | Cornell_Jade | @cscs when reviewing applications we look at all work experience, while we do like seeing pro bono work, we look at your work experience as a whole and review the roles/responsibilities you have had |
| 23:00 | nyc | In addition to Johnson's immersion program and location, could you share some thoughts on how the program is seeking to differentiate itself over the next several years. Also, any comments about the strength of the alumni network beyond New York would be helpful perspective. Thanks very much. |
| 23:01 | rushd25 | Good afternoon team! My name is Rushang Desai and I'm applying to the One-Year Program in Round 3. The website does not include the CMAM Immersion as available for the 1 Year students. Would it be possible to pursue that specific immersion as a 1 year Student? |
| 23:19 | Cornell_Jade | @rushd25 as you noticed CMAM is not listed, but if you receive permission from the faculty overseeing it you may potentially pursue it. |
| 23:01 | hiajit | Are waitlisted candidates eligible for scholarships from your past experience? |
| 23:03 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @hiajit Wait-list candidates are still eligible to for merit scholarship |
| 23:03 | loki2686 | @Cornell_Eddie What can be done to rectify the goals essay if that is the probable area of concern for a waitlisted candidate? |
| 23:12 | Cornell_Eddie | @loki2686, I would encourage you to send an email to our team clarifying goals |
| 23:03 | Candidate20 | @Eddie @Jade what is the ballpark bottom barrel GPA that is given an interview chance for older candidates with 720+ GMAT |
| 23:03 | m7orbust | How valuable do you think it is to speak with current students in shaping your essays? |
| 23:05 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @m7orbust I would always encourage prospective students to interact with current student and alumni. This is a great way to get to know the culture of Johnson and what it might be like to be a student here at Johnson. |
| 23:03 | Michela | Hello, How does the Consortium process work for waitlisted candidates? If they get into another school, does that prevent the chance of getting a scholarship from Johnson? |



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| 23:06 | Cornell_Heather | @Michela - Thank you for Joining us- Consortium students are still considered for scholarship. |
| 23:04 | KAltosaar | What is the format for recommendation letters? Is formal mailing address/salutation required? Length, font, double space, company letterhead etc.? |
| 23:09 | Cornell_Heather | @KAltosaar -Thank you for Joining us. The letter of recommendation should be a formal//professional letter of recommendation. There is not a specific format. We ask is letter head is available to please use that. |
| 23:04 | StevenT | @Cornell_Eddie, thanks a lot for answering all of these questions. I know Johnson has small class sizes, but are professors accessible to students outside of the classroom? I'm wondering if students have mentors or academic advisers - similar to undergrad programs - that help students navigate their second year and effectively custom-tailor their MBA. |
| 23:11 | Cornell_Eddie | @StevenT, Yes, faculty is very accessible. Our team here at Johnson does a very good job of getting to know students. Ithaca is a small but wonderful place, you get to know everyone very well. |
| 23:05 | mib_ie6w0o | Hi can you please let me know if you accept gre scores ? |
| 23:06 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @mib_ie6w0o The Admissions Committee does accept both the GMAT and GRE |
| 23:05 | rushd25 | @Cornell_Eddie Thank you for the response to Mayank. I got my answer as well |
| 23:05 | m7orbust | thanks @Cornell_ChrisLind do you have any experience with services like heyivy.com that allow prospectives to get in touch with current students? |
| 23:07 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @m7orbust I would encourage you to use out Ambassador Search. https://www.johnson.cornell.edu/Full-Time-MBA/Admissions/Johnson-Ambassador-Search |
| 23:08 | BrendanWRiley | If I have a GMAT of 700, but a 62nd percentile mark in the quantitative section should I include an optional essay? |
| 23:10 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @brendanWRiley The Optional Essay is used to explain things that are truly a red flag (gap in employment is an example) I would not recommend using this essay for a 700 GMAT score and 62% Quant. |



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| 23:08 | cscs | Can you please give some info about some of the recent significant changes of the curriculum? |
| 23:12 | Cornell_Heather | @cscs-Thank you for joining us, here is the website to our updated curriculum. https://www.johnson.cornell.edu/Two-Year-MBA/Curriculum |
| 23:08 | Mayank | Thanks Eddie for your response. I will reach out to you separately post this chat..Thanks |
| 23:10 | hiajit | I appreciate that you want candidates on the waitlist to send you worthwhile updates without overdoing it. But are these updates considered on a rolling basis or will you review all applications in totality before releasing your round 2 decisions? |
| 23:14 | Cornell_Heather | @hiajit-Yes the waitlist candidates will be on a rolling basis. You have been completely reviewed if you have been waitlisted. We review all applications fully. This round has been very competitive. |
| 23:11 | BrendanWRiley | Thank you for your response, Chris. |
| 23:11 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @BrendanWRiley You are very welcome! |
| 23:12 | Candidate20 | Thanks for all the info guys! but an you give a ballpark minimum considerable GPA number that is required for 720+ GMAT and 5+ yrs xp? |
| 23:15 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @candidate20 We do not have a minimum GPA score requirement. They will be looking at your overall GPA as well as how well you preformed in individual course (specifically any quantitative courses). The Admissions Committee takes a vary holistic approach when reviewing applications. |
| 23:13 | StevenT | @Cornell_Eddie thanks again, Eddie. |
| 23:13 | Kirti | I have a GMAT score of 650 with 51 percentile in Verbal. Also am having 9 years of work experience. Should I include an optional essay while applying? |
| 23:18 | Cornell_Heather | @Kirti when using the optional essay use your best judgment . |
| 23:14 | thereishope | @Adcom : Could you please let me know what are the steps that can be taken once wait listed? I am keen on working on my application to improve my candidacy and I am looking for any helpful pointers. |



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| 23:14 | BoburBoboyorov | Thanks a lot! Can you please give information about teaching methods of Johnson school? How much of the curriculum is team based? |
| 23:21 | Cornell_Eddie | @BoburBoboyorov, thank you for joining the chat. Here at Johnson, we believe in performance learning. But you will find there is also case based methods |
| 23:14 | v1 | sorry i'm posting my question again. Are there students pursuing MEng-MBA Dual Degree program ? How many students on an average pursue this? |
| 23:15 | Cornell_Heather | @v1 this can vary year to year but on average would be 3-8 students each year. |
| 23:15 | loki2686 | to what email id must wait listed candidates send their updates? |
| 23:19 | Cornell_Heather | @loki2686 you can send your updates to Heather at haw67@cornell.edu - I will update all information given to me, and let the review committee know there has been changes to your application. |
| 23:15 | MapleTree | so far what is the minimum gmat score that you have accepted for admission ? |
| 23:20 | Cornell_Heather | @MapleTree- we do not have a minimum GMAT - we only have an average which is 700 . |
| 23:17 | Scott | Should the optional essay be in a standard essay format, or more of bullet point format? |
| 23:19 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @Scott, Please use standard essay formatting |
| 23:18 | Candidate20 | @ChrisLind thank you very much for that info. If the undergrad quantitative course performance is subpar but it was a long time ago would having a 50+ Raw Quant GMAT score be enough to make up for this along with an optional essay? Or will more have to be done? |
| 23:19 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @candidate20 You are able to use the Optional Essay to explain why your quantitative course works would be lower than you expected. |
| 23:18 | Mayank | Hi What are the acceptance rates for 1 year and 2 year MBA programs |
| 23:19 | DDDA123 | is improving connection with Johnson (alum, current Student, faculty etc)a profile update for waitlisted applicant? |

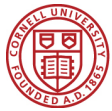


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| 23:24 | Cornell_Heather | @DDDAA123 yes you should reach out to current students and Alumni. i have attached the link you can connect to. https://www.johnson.cornell.edu/Full-Time-MBA/Admissions/Johnson-Ambassador-Search |
| 23:19 | ToddBrewer | Team, does strong quantitative GPA and quantitative work experience help to mitigate a relatively low quant score on the GMAT? Thanks. |
| 23:20 | cscs | @Cornell_Jade I mean if applicant were currently unemployed and have been doing pro-bono work for the past year, for example, how is that viewed and would that need to be further addressed in the optional essay? |
| 23:28 | Cornell_Jade | @cscs I would address that in the optional essay, so that when reviewing your application we are able to see what your most recent work experience has been |
| 23:20 | somshripatnaik | Hi, how would you compare the grades or transcripts of a low scoring examination format such as Law with those of high scoring streams such as engineering/science? In your opinion, will a high GMAT score help demonstrate quantitative skills and offset the low GPA in Law examination. |
| 23:21 | Kirti | Thanks for the response!! |
| 23:21 | Scott | Thank you Chris! |
| 23:21 | Cornell_ChrisLind | @Scott You're welcome! |
| 23:22 | MapleTree | thanks heather |
| 23:21 | Narenn | Moderator Note: We will continue for another 5 minutes only. Thank you! |
| 23:23 | Cornell_Eddie | Since there is only 5 more minutes, please keep in mind you can reach out to any members of our Admissions team: http://www.johnson.cornell.edu/Full-Time-MBA/Contact-Us |
| 23:23 | mib_edII76 | how is the total application number compared to last year? and shall we expect more opportunities to start 2nd year at NY tech campus? (I heard there were only 2 this year) |
| 23:26 | Cornell_Eddie | @mib_edII76, applications numbers are on par from last year (at this point). I do anticipate to see strong application numbers in Round 3 (January 15th) |



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| 23:27 | Cornell_Eddie | And yes, we are working on increasing the opportunities for Cornell 2nd year with Cornell Tech |
| 23:23 | mg2018 | Should applicants still expect to receive a final decision 3-4 weeks after the interview? Or has this timeline been revised? |
| 23:25 | Cornell_Chris | @mg2018 The Admissions Committee works hard to provide final admissions decisions in a timely manner. However, due to high application volume we are not able to give a final decision date. Typically they will be issues on a rolling basis. |
| 23:24 | rushd25 | @Cornell_Jade Thank you for the response and all the information. Would having 2 additional certifications for the 1 year Program be an advantage in the admissions process? |
| 23:24 | Cornell_Heather | |
| 23:25 | Candidate20 | @Admissions If I were to take a trip between now and Mid January would there be any opportunity to meet personally with the adcom team / any student ambassadors / campus tours ? |
| 23:25 | Cornell_Chris | @Candidate20 We offer a number of different campus visit options (class visits, information sessions and Sage Socials). These will begin again within the new year. I would be happy to help schedule your visit to campus, please email me at CTL52@cornell.edu |
| 23:26 | Narenn | Hi Team, I posting here a question that I received via message from a member who could not attend this chat. - "If we were to get accepted without having attended a LEAD event, would there still be a chance for us to attend one post-acceptance? Are we automatically out of the running for the larger scholarships if we don't have the opportunity to attend one?" |
| 23:29 | Cornell_Eddie | @Narenn, if a student is invited to a LEAD event and cannot make it, please work with our team to see if they can attend another one. If you are not invited to the LEAD events, you will not be considered for Park but you will still be considered for other scholarships |
| 23:30 | Narenn | Thanks Eddie!! |
| 23:28 | kapoormanas1 | Not sure if this has been talked of already, but when do we expect R1 results to be disclosed? |
| 23:30 | Cornell_Heather | @kapoormanas1- Hello, Thank you for joining us. Initial notification is today December 15th . The Final decisions are on a rolling basis. But the admissions will get those out as they are |



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| | | complete. |
| 23:29 | cscs | @Cornell_Jade thank you so much |
| 23:30 | cscs | @Cornell_Jade one last thing - can I put that pro-bono work on the resume? |
| 23:19 | ToddBrewer | Team, does strong quantitative GPA and quantitative work experience help to mitigate a relatively low quant score on the GMAT? Thanks. |
| 23:31 | Narenn | Sorry but it's time to end the session; Please do not send new questions. |
| 23:31 | Cornell_Jade | @ToddBrewer when reviewing quantitative skills we look at transcripts, class grades, as well as GMAT quant to assess how you will be handle the core courses. If we do have any concerns we will address this if necessary, however if you feel your quant capabilities are stronger than displayed in your GMAT you can always address this in the optional essay. Also, if you take any online courses you can submit those with your application as well |
| 23:32 | Cornell_Eddie | Hi All! Thank you for taking out the time to connect with our team today. We hope we were able to answer your questions. If you have additional questions, please reach out to our team at: http://www.johnson.cornell.edu/Full-Time-MBA/Contact-Us . We wish you all the best! |
| 23:32 | kapoormanas1 | Thank you Heather |
| 23:32 | BrendanWRiley | Thank you for answering our questions! |
| 23:32 | sallykann | Thank you for taking time out of your day to answer our questions! |
| 23:33 | KAltosaar | Many thanks and happy holidays! |
| 23:33 | rushd25 | Thank you so much for your time and responses! |
| 23:33 | Narenn | Thanks everyone for participating in this chat today. Thank you very much, Eddie, Jade, Chris, and Heather for spending time with us and answering applicants' questions. Hope you enjoyed the chatting with our community members. |
| 23:33 | ToddBrewer | Great, thank you Jade! |



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| 23:33 | AlishaGandhi | Thank you Johnson team for taking out time to answer our questions!! |
| 23:33 | Narenn | We will publish a condensed transcript of this chat in Cornell forum in few days. http://gmatclub.com/forum/calling-all-johnson-cornell-applicants-2016-intake-class-of-200239.html If for any reason you want us to exclude your username from chat transcript, please let me know. |
| 23:34 | Narenn | Thanks again to all Admission directors and participants. Good luck to all who are waiting for their interview invitations. |
| 23:34 | Narenn | Finally let me thank Mr. Eddie Asbie, Associate Director of Admissions and Financial Aid at Cornell, for his support and co-operation for organizing these chats on GMAT Club. This was the last chat session with Cornell Admissions. We conducted 3 chat sessions with Cornell team in this season. Thanks very much, Eddie! |

- 1) 2015 Live Q&A Session Schedule: <http://gmatclub.com/forum/announcement-mba-info-sessions-on-gmatclub-174827.html>
- 2) All Chat transcripts are available to download here <http://gmatclub.com/forum/live-q-a-with-b-school-adcoms-2015-season-174827.html#p1416987>

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