Considerations for Evaluating Prospective Doctoral Graduate Students

The Comparative Health Outcomes, Policy, and Economics (CHOICE) Institute faculty considers the following factors to be important when evaluating the admissions materials of prospective doctoral students.

- A strong record of academic achievement
  - Emphasis on quantitative skills and critical thinking
- Prior experience working in fields related and/or applicable to health economics and outcomes research (HEOR)
- Leadership
- Demonstrated interest in HEOR
- Ability to communicate effectively in English, both verbally and in writing
- Ability to contribute to the CHOICE program's learning environment

Materials evaluated include:

- Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- Academic degrees
- Grade point average (GPA)
- Graduate Record Examination (GRE)
- Courses completed
- Letters of recommendation
- Publications
- Conference attendance
- Statement of purpose
- Diversity statement (optional)
- Interviews
- Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL).
  - Required for international students for whom English is not their primary language