Whether you are an undergraduate student beginning to consider the benefits of further education or are already in the working world pondering advancement or a move into a new career, Ball State University has resources to assist you.

It takes time to apply for admission to graduate or professional school. Beyond selecting a program, you often must take a qualifying examination, complete the application process, arrange for letters of recommendation, and apply for financial assistance. On the back of this sheet is a calendar to guide your planning.

Career Center Resources
The Career Center in Lucina Hall 220 has material to help you make your decisions. Pick up a free copy of the Graduate School Guide to use in your research.

The Career Center’s website has more details and links to additional information on topics including entrance exams, choosing a program, planning for graduate school, and applying to graduate school. Go to http://www.bsu.edu/careers. Click Job-Search and Graduate School Preparation, then Graduate School Search.

Counseling Center
Informational bulletins for qualifying examinations (e.g., GRE, GMAT, LSAT, MCAT) are available in the Office of Testing Programs in Lucina Hall 366. Call the Office of Testing Programs at 285-1290 to find out how to register for an exam. Information about the GRE is also available at http://www.GRE.org. The Counseling Center can offer suggestions about preparing for graduate and professional school qualifying examinations. For more information call 285-1290.

Graduate School Catalogs
Most graduate schools post catalogs on their websites. Go to graduate schools that interest you to check out their programs on the web.

Advisors
You may find it helpful to speak with an advisor. Seek out a faculty member or someone else you trust. The Graduate School has a list of campus advisors for graduate programs at Ball State University. For more information call 285-1297.

Graduate School Expo
This event is held during fall semester and gives you the opportunity to meet with recruiters from various schools, ask questions, and learn how to improve your chances of being admitted to the graduate school of your choice.

Resources
For more information about the topics covered here, visit the Career Center in Lucina Hall 220. These are a few of the items available:

- Accepted! 50 Successful Business School Admission Essays
- Graduate Admissions Essays
- Graduate School: Winning Strategies for Getting In
- Graduate Schools in the U.S.
- The Princeton Review New GRE

Websites
- Career Center: http://www.bsu.edu/careers
- Career Center Publications: http://www.bsu.edu/careers/publications
- Great Links to Explore: http://www.bsu.edu/careers/links
- Graduate Guide.com: http://www.graduateguide.com/
- Peterson’s Graduate Planner: http://www.petersons.com/graduate_home.asp

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