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* What to look for in a graduate program?
	+ Academic
		- The approach to clinical education
		- Practicum options
		- Classes – size, instructors
		- Facilities
		- Reputation
	+ Personal
		- Atmosphere
		- Advising
		- Funding options, work
		- Quality of life – location, costs, leisure
* Preparing for Grad School
	+ Show you take academics seriously
		- Get good grades!
	+ Be noticed
		- Make good connections with professors for recommendation letters
		- Balance between school, work, volunteer, leadership…
	+ Visit Programs and show interest
* GRE
	+ Plan & study for it
	+ Repeat it if necessary
* Admissions
	+ Quantitative
		- Grades: overall, last 2 years, major…
		- GRE: Verbal + Quantitative scores; some include the Writing
		- GPA
			* Goal is a 3.5 or higher
			* UTD average is 3.8
		- GRE
			* Goal is a 300 or higher
			* UTD average is 309-310
	+ Qualitative
		- Recommendation letters – faculty or someone you have observed; no personal
		- Statement of purpose – page and half
			* Why you want to go to grad school
			* Snapshot of goals – show interest in the program!
		- Intangibles
			* Showing interest
			* A match for the program
* Why UTD?
	+ Flexible program
	+ Shape courses and practicum around your interests
	+ On and off campus practicum opportunities and many choices/settings
	+ Variety of classes
	+ Friendly atmosphere
* Leveling
	+ No reapplication to grad school
	+ Can take the leveling/prerequisite courses beforehand