Is the GRE test necessary?
The GRE test is required for the PhD program. The Graduate Committee has the option of recommending that an applicant of the Master’s program take the test. This may be done if; the applicant’s bachelor is in a field outside of Mechanical Engineering, if the applicant has been out of school for 6 years or more, or if the applicant has a low QPA.

What GRE test should I take?
The General GRE test is acceptable for the graduate program. Scores submitted must not be more than five years old. An official copy of the test scores must be sent directly from the Educational Testing Service (ETS) to the Office of Administration. Personal copies are not acceptable, nor are “attested” or notarized copies. It is important that you call to our attention any discrepancies that may exist between your name as reported on your application and as recorded on your GRE scores.

What is the minimum score for the GRE test?
We do not have a minimum score requirement for the GRE test, we ask that you do your best.

What is the Institution Code for the GRE test?
The Institution code is for the University of Pittsburgh is 2927.

What department code should I use for the GRE test?
The Departmental Code for Mechanical Engineering is 1502.

Are TOEFL and IELTS scores required?
Required for international applicants only: The Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) is required for all applicants whose native language is not English, except for those who have recently received a degree from a regionally accredited institution in the United States or any other English speaking country. It is the policy of the University of Pittsburgh to admit only those students with a TOEFL score of at least 550 (paper-based test), 213 (computer-based test) or 80 (internet-based). Please refer to the following web site for further information on the TOEFL and registration forms: http://www.ets.org/toefl. International English Language Testing System (IELTS) scores must be sent directly from IELTS to your admitting department. It is the policy of the University of Pittsburgh to admit only those students with an IELTS score of at least 6.5.

What is the Institution Code for the TOEFL test?
The Institution Code for the University of Pittsburgh is 2927

What is the Departmental Code for the TOEFL test?
The Departmental Code is 68.