

Limitations over anonymously submitted data

1. Entries of fake information

It is noticed that there are many fake entries regarding universities and programs. Even including the GPAs, which does show there are a number of records beyond 6.0.

In result, the average GPA of admission for London School of Economics And Political Science (Lse) is 5.21.

This is likely driven by several possible reasons:

1. Rage submission after rejection
2. Different education systems' different GPA scale
3. Typo when submission was made

2. Average GPA of admission is high for Fall 2026

The average GPA is 4.07 for Fall 2026 term. Considering there are fake submissions mentioned in limitation 1, it is still considered a very high number given number of records were identified from limitation 1.

This is due to the selection bias that only people who got acceptance tend to make a submission in gradcafe. However, it is also possible that people submit as GPA 4.0 instead of their real GPA, since they only want to make an acceptance submission.

3. Missing values in data

In the data, there is a significant portion with missing GRE verbal and analytical writing score. This could be due to that people only want to report whether they are accepted or rejected from the program, not spending more time to report for more detailed statistics.

This will reduce the quality of the data and incurring significant bias in the analysis carried over this data