3/27 Psi Chi General Body Meeting Minutes <u>GRE Info Session w/ Kaplan</u>

Kaplan GRE Sample Class

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- https://www.ownyourprep.com/farah Free events and flashcards (link expires at the end of April)
- Ideal time to prep is between May & July before senior year
- Ideal time to test is between July & September of senior year

GRE Sample Class Notes

- Test takes about 4 hours
- Analytical writing section
 - 60 minutes total: two 30 min essays
- Quantitative reasoning
 - o Two 35 min sections
 - o 20 ques per section
 - Composed of quantitative comparison and problem solving
- Verbal reasoning
 - Two 30 min sections
 - o 20 ques per section
 - Composed of text completion, sentence equivalence, and reading comprehension
- Is a multi-stage test, meaning your performance on the first section of the verbal and quantitative sections will determine the level of difficulty for the next section of verbal and quantitative sections.
- Never too early to start prepping for the GRE, time dedicated to the GRE depends on the individual, want to allow time to make the strategies learned second nature.
- Need to determine which study method works best for you: book method, class method, or tutoring method.
- Kaplan course options: self-paced, in person, live online, and tutoring
- Text completion
 - Use contextual clues to help you fill in the blank
 - Don't look at answer choices because it can distract you
 - Only one unflawed answer
 - Predict for the GRE
 - Pay attention to contrast key words and continuation key words
 - Use good strategic elimination
- Vocab & strategy is important

- Sentence equivalence
 - o Find the clues in the sentence; conduct an analysis
 - Be wary of trap answers
- Problem Solving
 - o Best way to start a math problem is to slow down and understand the question
 - o Recognize the patterns
- Quantitative Comparison
 - o Rarely need to use the calculator because it is commonly a distraction
 - o Can pick easy numbers to represent a variable
 - o It is useful to know math formulas