

Personal Statement

The **personal statement** is a narrative statement in which you give the reader more insight into you as an individual and your future contributions. It should include information about your education, practical experience, special interests, career plans, and your purpose in applying for study.

- Explain who you are, what is important to you and what you intend to accomplish in your life.
- Demonstrate your unique qualifications for your chosen field.
- Discuss experiences, people, and events that inspired you to pursue this field of study.
- Demonstrate your commitment to your field of study:
 - What kind of contribution do you want to make?
 - What do you intend to do with your degree?
- Please use your own words. If you are planning to use someone else's works or research, you must credit the source at all times.

Study Objective

The **study/research objective** description that you provide is a highly important part of your application. It helps the reader better understand your proposed study goals. You should take great care to write a clear and very detailed description of the program you want to pursue.

- Be specific about your degree objective, major field and specialized interests within this field.
- Explain why you are interested in this area.
- Describe the kind of program you expect to undertake
 - How does this fit into your educational background?
 - How does this fit into your future objectives and goals?
- How are your research interests relevant to current trends/challenges in your home country?
- How will you apply your studies upon returning to your home country?
- References to proposed universities or faculty should not be made.
- The essay should be at least one page and no longer than two pages.
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