

# A PERSONAL STATEMENT

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How to write a good personal statement?

# WHAT IS A PERSONAL STATEMENT?

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Discuss.

Watch this youtube video.

# Before you write your personal statement, you need to

**Read a lot about the course, the B.A program, the master program, etc.**

**Where to find information about the course?**

You can find information about the course, the program on the website of the university you are applying to.

If you are applying for a scholarship, check the university's website and read what this course, program, etc. is about.

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## After writing

- share the personal statement with people who know you and who can help you improve it.
- redraft it several times to make sure it has all what it should have.
- make sure that you do not have language mistakes.
- make sure the length of personal statement meets the required word number. Never exceed the word limit.

# How to write a personal statement?

## STEPS

1. Why did you decide to do the course? What happened that made you want to do the course or the program? What made you excited about the course, the program, etc. **WRITE!**
2. Think about the skills and qualities that show that you can do the course or the program. **WRITE!**
3. Think about what makes you unique as a person. **WRITE!**
4. Think how the course or program will help you in your career or your future. **WRITE!**

# Dos and Don'ts

## **Dos**

- Read good examples of personal statements.
- Use your own language.
- Ask for help when you write the first draft.
- Share it with the people you trust and ask for their opinion to improve it.
- Be honest and realistic.

## **Don'ts**

- copy paste in writing the personal statement.
- ask someone to write it for you.
- write something that is not true.

# Links

## 1. Websites on how to write a personal statement:

<https://www.studential.com/university/applying/UCAS-application-guide/personal-statements>

Template (questions to answer)

<https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/642/02/>

## 2. A website on university courses and how to write a personal statement

<https://university.which.co.uk/advice/personal-statements>

Template (questions to answer)

# QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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# THANK YOU.

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Your reflections on the result