

Your Personal Statement

Why do you want to go on this course?

- subject interest/career plans/social reasons. (Try for at least 4 reasons)

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Why do you want these Universities in particular?

(Think about Open Days, family and friends that have been, close to home, a faculty that has been recommended for its excellence. Remember they want to know you will stay and have done the research before you arrive.)

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Where is this course going to take you after? – Career plans and ambitions.

(Try for at least 2 areas)

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For each subject you have studied how can it assist you on this course? Skills learned etc.

(Try for 3 reasons if you are following on a subject plus 2 for all other subject areas)

Subjects studied	Relevance to course option

Continued over

Do you have any relevant past experience?

Include lined experiences like work, hobbies, etc. (skills and insights gained)

About yourself: What are your extra-curricular experiences – activities you have been involved with.

(E.g. sport, music, travel and work related experience)

For each focus on the skills you have gained – skills, social, awareness, understanding etc. (Try to include at least 3 but they must be recent. NB. If its things like going to the cinema – expand this to make it relevant as we all like to go there)

Areas/positions of responsibility

E.g. elected to represent, held the position of, given responsibility for, won/was awarded etc.

Now have a go at putting together a Personal Statement. Try to write clearly and succinctly, bearing in mind that your personal statement must grab the readers' attention and make them think 'this is the type of person we want on our course'. Then get your tutor to check it over for you.