

Personal Statement

Question 1: Why do you want to study this course or subject?

Question 2: How have your qualifications and studies helped you to prepare for this course or subject?

Question 3: What else have you done to prepare outside of education, and why are these experiences useful?

1 Why do you want to study this course or subject?

This is your opportunity to showcase your passion and knowledge of your chosen subject area and to demonstrate to universities and colleges why it's a good fit for you and your future ambitions.

Your motivations for studying this course – event / role model / favourite subject

Your knowledge of this subject area – books / TED talks / specialist / specific area

Your future plans – what might you do with it

2 How have your qualifications and studies helped you to prepare?

This is your chance to shout about the relevant or transferable skills you've gained from your formal education and highlight your understanding of how they will help you succeed in this subject area.

How your studies relate to this course

What relevant transferrable skills you have that make you a great candidate – research / interpersonal skills

Relevant academic achievements – competitions / student leader / team captain / concerts / plays

3 What else have you done to prepare outside education and how have these been useful?

This is your chance to talk about any other activities you have undertaken outside of your formal education or personal experiences which further demonstrate your suitability for the course. This section is likely to be highly personal to you and anything you do include should reflect on why you're including it.

Work experience / employment / volunteering

Personal life experiences and responsibilities

Hobbies and extra curricular activities

Achievements outside of school

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