

# Personal Statements

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## What is a personal statement?

### The basics

A personal statement is a written statement that you submit as part of your application to a university. It is a chance for you to tell the admissions team who you are, what you have achieved, and why you want to study the course you have chosen. It should be written in your own words and should be clear, concise, and well-structured. It should also be proofread and edited carefully before you submit it.

## How long should a personal statement be?

A personal statement should be between 400 and 600 words. It should be long enough to give you a chance to tell your story, but not so long that it becomes tedious to read. It should be well-structured and easy to read. It should also be proofread and edited carefully before you submit it.

## When do I have to complete my personal statement by?

You should complete your personal statement by the deadline set by the university you are applying to. This is usually around 12 weeks before the start of the course. It is important to start writing your personal statement as early as possible so that you have time to think about what you want to say and to get feedback from others.

## What to include:

### A-B-C method:

A-B-C (Achievements, Background, Career)

### Aspects to consider:

Character  
Personal  
Education  
Hobbies  
Activities

## Top Tips!

### Plan early:

Start thinking about your personal statement as early as possible. This will give you time to think about what you want to say and to get feedback from others.

### Be motivated:

Stay motivated throughout the process. It can be challenging to write a personal statement, but it is an important part of your application. Stay focused and determined to do your best.

### Structure:

Use a clear structure to organize your thoughts. Start with an introduction, followed by your achievements, background, and career. End with a conclusion that summarizes your key points.

### Proofread:

Proofread your personal statement carefully before you submit it. Check for spelling, grammar, and punctuation errors. It is also a good idea to ask someone else to proofread your statement for you.

### Think ahead:

Think about your future plans and how your personal statement can help you achieve them. This will show the admissions team that you are serious about your education and your career.



