



Personal Statement
Department of Educational Organization and Leadership
Higher Education Program Area

Personal Statement: Attach a statement (minimum 500 words) in which you provide evidence of how your professional experiences and prior academic work have focused your thinking toward the planned program of study, and *how this program of study will prepare you for future leadership or academic roles*. This statement must speak to your future career goals and contribution to your chosen field that you foresee yourself making upon completion of your program of study. *This statement will be reviewed carefully, to ensure that your career goals are in alignment with the mission of UIUC Higher Education program.* Applicants to the Master of Science (MS) degree program also should address their reasons for electing the thesis option.

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