

Personal Statement for Graduate Study in School Psychology at Penn State University

Name of
Applicant:

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Address:

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1. Cumulative undergraduate grade point average? _____ Jr/Sr GPA? _____
2. Undergraduate grade point average in psychology? _____
3. Graduate grade point average? _____
4. Do you hold or are you eligible for a professional license or certificate? _____
If so, in what professional area(s) and jurisdiction(s)?
5. List honorary and professional organizations in which you are a member.
6. List academic prizes, honors, etc. that have been awarded to you.
7. If applicable, describe your professional work experience (for last three professional jobs) on a separate sheet of paper. Include title of position, dates of employment, employer, and type of work performed.
8. List and describe your contributions to research projects (paid or volunteer).
9. Personal statement. You must attach a statement, two pages in length (double-spaced), about your educational and professional goals. To the extent permitted by the present development of your plans, the statement should cover:
 - a. goals and objectives for your doctoral education in school psychology;
 - b. the types of academic and research activities in which you hope to be engaged;
 - c. the kind of position you hope to obtain after your doctoral school psychology training is completed, the type of students/clients with whom you wish to work, and your preference among alternative kinds of positions;
 - d. the specialized interests you intend to pursue in such a position;
 - e. your reason(s) for selecting the educational and vocational plans described above; and
 - f. any other information you feel is pertinent.
10. Have you ever been dismissed or otherwise terminated from any post-secondary educational institution or academic program, or have you been convicted of a felony offense, or have you had a professional license, certificate, degree, or similar credential revoked, suspended, or restricted in any way?
☐ No ☐ Yes (If yes, please describe)

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