Statement of Purpose

Your statement of purpose will be used in conjunction with your application for consideration for graduate admission and financial support. Specific requirements (500 word limit) and prompts are listed in the application and include:

- What is your purpose in applying for graduate study in your specified degree program? Describe your area(s) of interest, including any subfield(s) or interdisciplinary interests.

- What experiences have prepared you for advanced study or research in this degree program? What relevant skills have you gained from these experiences? Have your experiences led to specific or tangible outcomes that would support your potential to contribute to this field?

- What additional information about your past experience may aid the selection committee in evaluating your preparation and aptitude for graduate study at UCLA?

- Why is the UCLA graduate program to which you are applying the best place for you to pursue your academic goals? If you are applying for a research master’s or doctoral program, we encourage you to indicate specific research interests and potential faculty mentors.

- What are your plans for your career after earning this degree?