



Personal Statement (2-3 Pages double-spaced)

Because our graduates are engaged with other individuals' important and sensitive areas of human life, our program is strongly committed to affective-level education. This essay provides you with an opportunity to demonstrate your ability to engage in personal reflection. You should provide the admissions committee with a clearer picture of who you are and why have chosen to enter the field of human sexuality.

In your personal statement, please address:

1. Personal background – Describe significant life experiences that have led to the development of your personality, your values, and belief systems, and your decision to pursue a career in human sexuality.
2. Personal dispositions – Describe why you think you would make a good human sexuality studies student, and an effective sexuality educator, counselor, therapist, advocate, and/or researcher.
3. Your readiness for academically rigorous graduate work, which includes critical thinking and engagement with research literature as well as extensive academic writing.
4. Your ability to manage the heavy demands of graduate school along with your other personal and professional responsibilities.
5. Any specific strengths and weaknesses in relation to the human sexuality professions.