

PERSONAL ESSAY GUIDE

What is it? An opportunity...

- To show the school who you are
- To fill-in the gaps of your application with your personality
- To be honest and authentic

What it is not:

- Životopis
- Motivační dopis
- Příběh
- Cover letter
- Resumé

Questions? Contact our team:
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Examples:

- admissions.tufts.edu/apply/advice/past-essays/common-application-essays/
- apply.jhu.edu/application-process/essays-that-worked/

Common Mistakes:

MISTAKE

Telling > Showing

BAD

I am great at math and enjoy doing math. This is why I want to study math.

GOOD

Since the moment I solved my first algebraic equation, my passion for math has only expanded from receiving the highest mark in my school to entering the Google 3000 math competition.

Hedging

I believe that I would be a good fit for the university because I might add something.

I am a good fit for the university because of X, Y, Z

Passive language

The award was won by our team after we were working for three months.

After working for three long months, our team won the award!