

#31) "Statement of Purpose" for Graduate School Applicants

Most graduate school applications require a statement of purpose. In fact, academic advisors often indicate that a student's statement of purpose is an integral aspect of the overall application, as important as letters of recommendations, GRE scores, and transcripts. Though it sounds relatively simple, writing a good statement of purpose can be challenging. Often, students are faced with a limited number of words to express their thoughts on what often appear to be broad subjects: *Describe Your Academic History, Where Do You See Yourself in Five Years?* and *What Specific Research Has Captured Your Fancy, Focusing Specifically on Why Our University is Best Suited to Your Academic Needs?*—in 500 words or less! By the time one is finished writing the title, only 490 words remain. What follows are some ideas and strategies designed to help prospective graduate students while writing application statements.

Be Concise

As previously mentioned, you are faced with a radical limitation on the number of words that you may use. Therefore, you should be as concise as possible. For example, the first sentence of this paragraph is verbose. Such phrases and words as "as previously mentioned," "radical," and "that you may use" are not necessary. The sentence would be better phrased, "You are faced with a limited number of words." The idea remains the same, but we have omitted nearly ten words, a considerable reduction over the span of two full pages. Concise language allows you to cover more ground in a concentrated manner. Consequently, your statement is sharper and smoother, and you provide more room to discuss what is really important: you.

Be Distinctive, Yet Professional

In the fall of 1998, Indiana University sent out letters of acceptance to 55 potential English graduate students. They considered over 450 applications. As these figures indicate, competition for graduate level positions is fierce. Due to the number of applications being considered, prospective graduate students need to ensure their statements of purpose are distinctive. Something about your statement must separate you from the rest of the proverbial pack. There are two ways that you can accomplish this. First, you may present a distinctive writing style. Maybe you have a comfortable or relaxed or conversational tone. Maybe you are a natural wit. Maybe you have an especially striking style. Any of these features would provide a noteworthy contrast to the stuffy, rubberstamped papers through which one envisions the graduate admissions committee wading. However, a warning accompanies this recommendation: there is a fine line between being conversational and being flippant. One who is clever could easily be mistaken for one who is dismissive. Make sure your voice is heard, but make sure you do not do so at the expense of your professionalism.

[Crack.WhiteSmoke.Grammar.Check.2012.12.zip](#)

Crack Free Para Ddl Files Fixer 2.9 > bit . yumemochininseitsu.proboards.com/thread/17/crack-whitesmoke-grammar-check-2012 Crack.WhiteSmoke.Grammar.Check.2012.12.zip

Crack.WhiteSmoke.Grammar.Check.2012.12.zip jung und frei pdf rar firstspot.5.FULL.Version.rar htc wildfire imei unlock code generator.rar

Young Video Models Vera V11 Youngvideomodels Yvm 006.avi.rar. Young Video Models Vera V11 Youngvideomodels Yvm 006.avi . Crack.WhiteSmoke.Grammar.Check.2012.12.zip

PS3 LVL DIAG Torrent Download . PS3 LVL DIAG Torrent Download. Download [PS3] RSODfix Lv2diag.self v0.1 torrent or any other torrent from Games > PSx Direct download via magnet link.

Crack.WhiteSmoke.Grammar.Check.2012.12.zip jung und frei pdf rar firstspot.5.FULL.Version.rar htc wildfire imei unlock code generator.rar
c11361aded

[Mick Jagger - The Very Best Of Mick Jagger \(2007\) 320 kbps](#)

[Wire - Send Ultimate 2010.rar](#)

[crucc 2.4 car radio universal code calculator.zip](#)

[IE9-WindowsXP-x86-ENU.exe](#)

[Industrial Strength Records Audio Injection Minimal Techno Vol 2 MULTiFORMAT](#)

[Me alegra que te guste chupar la polla](#)

[Independence Shelly Crane](#)

[HILCRHYME - Best of Hilcrhyme -Gold- \[2012\]](#)

[Download Loc Zip For Need For Speed The Run English Torrent](#)

[Chavez - Better Days Will Haunt You.rar](#)