



What to include in a Personal Statement

Passion and interest for the course

Reasons for choosing it

- Interests and hobbies
- Future aspirations
- Links to current or previous study
- Specific modules that particularly appeal and excite (must link to all courses being applied to)

Super-curricular

- Academic competitions
- Wider reading
- Online courses
- Additional qualifications

What makes them 'stand out'

Extra-curricular

- Clubs and societies
- Duke of Edinburgh
- Additional roles of responsibility

Hobbies and interests

- Sport
- Musical
- Creative

Volunteering

- Community projects
- Charity work

Relevant experience

Shadowing

- Specific job roles
- Members of staff

Observing

- Meetings
- Procedures

Work experience

- Virtual placements
- Part-time jobs
- Summer placements
- Internships

Check out www.theparentsguideto.co.uk for more useful tips and advice on how you can help and support your child.

Don't forget

- ### Preparation
- Start early
 - Check university website for course details
 - Create a plan
 - Ask people for feedback

- ### Technicalities
- Do not refer to a uni by name
 - Do not copy or plagiarise
 - Do not exceed 4000 characters / 47 lines

- ### Style
- Demonstrate passion
 - Check spelling and grammar
 - Organise it into a logical structure
 - Make it personal