

PERSONAL STATEMENTS

DOs

- > **Do** show you know your strengths and can outline your ideas clearly.
- > **Do** be enthusiastic – if you show you're interested in the course, it may help you get a place.
- > **Do** expect to produce several drafts of your personal statement before being totally happy with it.
- > **Do** ask people you trust for their feedback.

AND DON'Ts

- > **Don't** exaggerate – if you do, you may get caught out in an interview when asked to elaborate on an interesting achievement.
- > **Don't** rely on a spellchecker, as it will not pick up everything – proofread your statement as many times as possible.
- > **Don't** leave it to the last minute – your statement will seem rushed, and important information could be left out.
- > **Don't** let spelling or grammatical errors spoil your statement.



REMEMBER

You can write up to 4,000 characters of text to show why you'd make a great student.

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