

Your Personal Statement should consist of the following information:

Your personal statement should tell us something about you and your motivation to study Mathematics or Statistics. Tell us how you got interested in Mathematical or Statistical Sciences. Was there a key event?

For example your mother, who inspired you, or a teacher who opened your eyes... ? Describe a story of how you got where you are now and what your achievements were to get there. What are your plans for the future? We want to get a feeling for your enthusiasm and your motivation for your future goals.

Please tell us which area of research you are interested in. Your description shouldn't be too narrow, but it should not be too open either.

For example:

"I want to study finite groups of order 17" is too narrow, and

"I will study whatever research area you want me to do" is too open.

Also, tell us why you chose the University of Alberta, and identify possible supervisors in our department that you wish to work with. Please visit the following link for potential [Supervisors and their specific research areas](#)

Finally, make sure your Personal Statement is written in proper English composition.