

Ottawa University Admission Essay

First Name Last Name

Student ID Number

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**Essay Question #1 (450-650 words):**

**Describe your specific career aspirations and how earning a degree from Ottawa University will enable you to realize your ambitions.**

Intro paragraph- tell us why you're writing. List the things you will talk about; This is a short summary, not a detailed account. The details will come in the following paragraphs.

First Paragraph- Please incorporate answers to the following questions to answer Question #1

Why do you want to do your program at Ottawa?

Why now?

Why this degree?

What is your end goal?

How does your degree with Ottawa University help you reach that end goal?

What specific coursework in the program will benefit your future goals (be specific)?

**Essay Question #2 (400-550 words):**

**Describe an impactful experience that is not reflected elsewhere in your application. How will you use what you learned through that experience to contribute to Ottawa University's learning community and society in whole?**

Second Paragraph -Share how your experience, what you have learned in life both at college and through your other life experience, etc. have led to your desire to have a career in the major in which you are applying. How will your experience impact Ottawa's learning community?

What about your life would make you a good candidate?

What would you like to do with your degree that comes from your life experience?

Are there areas in your life that have difficulties that could be drawn upon in your career to help others? Have you overcome these difficulties? How?

How will you personally contribute to Ottawa University's Learning Community?

**Optional Essay Question #3 (200-500 words):**

**Encouraged if you have less than 3.0 undergraduate GPA.**

**Is there any further information that you wish to provide the admissions committee? If so, provide an explanation of any areas of concern in your academic record or your personal history.**

Third paragraph (*Optional*) – Self-awareness is important to being successful. It is important to be able to reflect on yourself. Identify any areas of concern. These could be difficulties, shortcoming or areas of improvement. If your grades in your undergraduate degree were not great, why? It is ok to say that you did not know what you wanted to do.

Identify those items?

Plan how you will address and overcome them moving forward?

If you have difficulty overcoming them, how will you reach out and ensure that they do not stop your goal of graduating?

Final Paragraph - Summarize – Therefore, with the degree program I see myself using this and my life experience to..... share a little bit about why this degree secures your future ability to care for your husband/family/yourself. How would this help you lead a life of significance?

**NOTE:** Make sure that you have answered both Essay Questions in Detail. They must adhere to the proper word count. The goal of the paper is to see if you can accomplish certain things. First, they are looking to get to know you better and make sure that not only is our program the right program for what you would like to accomplish in your life and career goals, but we also want to make sure that you are a good fit for our program. Second, we are looking to make sure that you are ready and prepared to work at a Masters level of course work. This means that it is important to be able to get your thoughts across in a clear and concise manner.

***You need to make sure to spell and grammar check. Grammarly is the preferred free method to check your paper.*** It is also very important to make sure that you have another person read your work because often, we do not catch our own mistakes. ***I'm happy to review your paper before submission.*** Also, others can help you to bounce ideas off and clarify your points when you are trying to get them across in written format. This is important for not just papers, but life as well.

We look forward to assisting you on your academic journey and if Ottawa is the right place for you, we will be excited be part of Preparing Your life of Significance.