

# Applying to Graduate School

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## Reasons to attend graduate school

List 2-3 reasons why you are considering going to graduate school.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

## Personal statement elements

### Strengths

List 5 of your strengths as a grad school applicant.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

*Pick one strength from the list on the left. What is an example of how you have used this strength?*

### Examples of growth

List 3 of your most meaningful experiences so far.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

*Pick one experience from the left. What did you learn or how did you grow in this experience?*

**Values**

List 3 of your most meaningful experiences so far.

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_

*Pick one experience from the left. What did you learn or how did you grow in this experience?*

**Potential letter writers**

List 3 potential letter writers, circle the type of relationship they have with you, and write how long they've known you, where they first met you, and an example of an experience or skill (specific or general) they can write about.

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Professor   Supervisor   Coach   Other

Where/how you first met: \_\_\_\_\_ Length of relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

I might ask them to write about: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Professor   Supervisor   Coach   Other

Where/how you first met: \_\_\_\_\_ Length of relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

I might ask them to write about: \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Professor   Supervisor   Coach   Other

Where/how you first met: \_\_\_\_\_ Length of relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

I might ask them to write about: \_\_\_\_\_

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