

### Personal Statement

Discuss why you believe you would make an effective, professional counselor.

Because issues of oppression and diversity are important in the counseling profession, we encourage you to also discuss how you have confronted or addressed these issues in your life, either professionally or personally. You can include factors such as ethnicity, religious background, disabling conditions, sexual orientation, bilingualism, experience working with underrepresented groups, or other areas that you believe to be relevant.

Please restrict your typed essay to 500 words.

**Please include your name on your personal statement.**