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Required Essays in the Application

There are three personal essay questions in the application. The personal essay questions are required. It is important to read each essay question carefully and answer to the best of your ability. Show the review committee who you are through your writing. We recommend you use the GIPS Foundation Writing Rubric (found on the Personal Essays) to guide your writing.

Personal Essay Questions

- Tell us about you. The best personal statements describe strengths and achievements in an intimate and unique way, capitalizing on life experiences which have molded you into a worthy candidate. Let the selection committee know who you are through your writing. (Max 500 words)
- What are your personal and career goals? What is your plan for achieving these goals? (Max 500 words)
- Attending college can be expensive. What is your financial plan for achieving this goal? (Max 500 words)

Specific Essays in the Application

Many of our GIPS Foundation scholarships have an additional essay specific for their scholarship. These essays are on the Scholarship Essays page. It is important to read the scholarship guideline before completing a scholarship specific essay to determine if you qualify for that scholarship. If you do qualify, you must complete the scholarship specific essay to be considered.

It is suggested you write your essay in another program and then copy/paste it into the application. **PROOF** the essay once it has been pasted. Character errors can happen and need to be edited.

DO NOT USE YOUR NAME. The review committee does not have access to your contact information and do not want to see your name in the essay.

Questions? Contact the system administrator at cwiemers@gips.org

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