

The Personal Statement Prompt for the Scholarships for STEM Program

Please describe your future goals in terms of your college education and career in science, technology, engineering and or mathematics.

You may, but are not absolutely required to, include the following:

- Begin by sharing a little about yourself and your family background:
 - o Are you the first member of your immediate family to attend college? Or maybe in the first generation of your family to do so?

 - o What are your favorite subjects in school? Why?

 - o Do you have hobbies?

 - o How do you spend your leisure time?

- What experiences have you already had that sparked your interest in STEM?

- Have you been a member of any STEM-related clubs during high school or intermediate school (such as math or science clubs, robotics clubs or programs, computer science clubs)? If yes, please state the name of the club, your role, and level of involvement.

- Do you have any awards in STEM-related subjects or activities? If so, name the award and the level they are for (High School, Intermediate School, local, state, national?)

- How do you see yourself using your STEM degree in the future?

- Feel free to include any other information you think is important for our consideration of your application.

Good luck!

Tips and tricks for writing an excellent personal statement for a scholarship

Here are some websites that can help you write a winning personal statement. Feel free to contact Ms. Margaux for any assistance (mmellott@hawaii.edu)

http://college.lovetoknow.com/I_Need_a_Sample_Essay_to_Win_a_Scholarship

<http://www.collegescholarships.com/application-essays/scholarship-essays>

<http://www.topuniversities.com/student-info/scholarship-advice/how-write-winning-scholarship-essay>

http://www.supercollege.com/guide/guide.cfm?t_id=2&g_id=21&step=1&ComStartRow=1&ComPageNum=1