Guidelines for Personal Statement

The following questions pertain ONLY to those applying to the graduate program in Reading Education.

This is to be submitted instead of the Statement of Goals and Objectives.

Please answer the following questions as clearly and fully as you can. The length guideline is one page, double-spaced, per prompt. Note your personal statement will be scored on *depth of discussion, authenticity, organization, and mechanics*.

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- What characteristics and strengths do you possess that make you a good candidate for this degree program?
- Discuss your professional goals.