

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PERSONAL STATEMENT

Address the following in your personal statement in the order that works best for you:

- Your background and motivation to pursue graduate studies in biomedical and health informatics, including unique aspects of your journey thus far in terms of perspectives, experiences, knowledge
- If applicable, how your experience, research interests, and plans for future work could contribute to diversity, equity and inclusion
- Aspects of the BHI program that appeal to you
- Research experience(s) (if any), as well as what research areas you want to pursue in your graduate studies
- Faculty you are interested in working with who could support your research goals (optional: if you have communicated with any UW faculty, please let us know)
- Describe your career goals after you complete your graduate studies

Desired Characteristics:

- Demonstrated ability to succeed in a rigorous academic environment
- Evidence of understanding research and/or potential to succeed in research (e.g., participation in research, experience of writing, submitting, or publishing scientific manuscripts)
- Some evidence of ability to succeed in graduate level quantitative and computational coursework (importance of this characteristic depends on goals)
- General understanding of the field and profession
- Alignment of applicant's research goals with resources and expertise in BIME
- Varied perspectives, expertise and knowledge to contribute to the BIME community based on applicant's background, experience and/or research interests