

MIRACOSTA COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
PERSONAL STATEMENT OUTLINE

Use the Personal Statement Outline as a template for writing a scholarship statement. If you would like assistance, make an appointment with the **MiraCosta College Writing Center** and bring the outline with you to your meeting. The Writing Center Consultants are good writers who have experience talking with students and will help incorporate your outline into a final scholarship statement. For times and locations, visit their website www.MiraCosta.edu/WritingCenter or call (760) 795-6861 to make an appointment.

MiraCosta College Scholarship Application - Personal Statement

The Personal Statement must be typed, double-spaced, one page preferred - two pages accepted, with your name and MiraCosta ID# at the top of each page, and stapled to the scholarship application. Scholarship awards are based on merit and your Personal Statement. Address the following areas in your essay:

1. **What are your Education and Career Goals** (list your major or certificate program and how it relates to your career goal. If you are undecided on a major or career goal, state what you hope to learn in college.

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2. **List Extracurricular Activities** List activities you are involved in besides school; for example: **employment** - how many days/hours per week you work, **volunteer work** you have done for in the past or are currently doing, **clubs** you belong to on-campus and off-campus, **sports teams** involved with, etc.

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3. **Other Information you would like to share about yourself.** Share information about yourself that will make you stand out for a scholarship, for example: did you **overcome a hardship** in your life, serve in the **military** (what branch, for how long, were you deployed), are you a **single parent**, or **international** student, etc.? What is your financial need, and how will a scholarship help with your education and career goal?

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