

MSPE

Pre-Matriculation / Introductory Information

Tips

1. Keep it as succinct as possible. State the facts objectively and avoid flowery language.
2. Include any significant undergraduate research, studies abroad, and extracurricular activities.
3. Avoid clichés, colloquial speech, and quotations.

Example 1

- Graduate of Case Western Reserve University; Completed Bachelor of Arts degree in Religion, minor in Chemistry in three years
- Served as secretary and risk manager of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity and Vice President of the Middle Eastern Club
- Worked as an MCAT chemistry teacher for Princeton Review and as a lab tech in physiology at CWRU
- Completed research projects in psychology at the Louis Stokes Cleveland Veterans Administration Medical Center and at the Cleveland Clinic studying conduction of dorsal root ganglion and neuroblastoma cells as a model for understanding pain effects under anesthesia; Resulted in an abstract publication and a presentation at a national conference
- completed a Master of Science degree in Applied Anatomy following graduation

Example 2

- Graduated *magna cum laude* from Bard College with a Bachelor of Science degree in Microbiology
- Worked as a TA for classes in General Chemistry and Biology; Worked as a research assistant studying the stress response of RNA polymerase sigma factors in *Streptomyces coelicolor*
- Tutored high school students in underserved communities and volunteered in the Cavell Cancer Center at Columbia Memorial Hospital
- Member of the school's varsity lacrosse team
- Inducted into Phi Beta Kappa and was a member of the Golden Key International Honour Society

Example 3

- Completed undergraduate work at The Ohio State University, graduated *summa cum laude* with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English
- Conducted research at the Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center in the Division of Medical Oncology; Assisted with experiments and wrote scientific papers that were published during medical school
- Ran varsity cross-country and track; Received the University Athletic Association All-Academic Recognition
- Inducted into the Golden Key National Honour society, the Sigma Tau Delta English Honor Society and Phi Beta Kappa; Named to the Dean's List each semester
- Completed post-baccalaureate work at Case Western Reserve University
- Worked for three years as a research assistant at the Case Comprehensive Cancer Center while applying to medical school