

### **Research Statement (3-4 pages)**

Describe your research interests. What is your history of participating in or conducting research (including program evaluation)?

What is your purpose in pursuing a research-focused degree? What research questions are you wanting to answer? How is this research related to social work/social welfare?

What strengths do you bring to researching this topic? In what direction do you intend to take your research? What are your career objectives?

How can the Mandel Doctoral Program help you in that process? Who are the faculty whose research align with your research interests?

### **Personal Statement (1-2 pages)**

Describe your professional development, including your career goals, and how doctoral education is relevant to them. How has your work experiences and/or life experiences influence your decision to pursue a doctoral degree with Mandel?