**University of Wisconsin essays**

Tell us why you decided to apply to the University of Wisconsin-Madison. In addition, please include why you are interested in studying the major(s) you have selected. If you selected undecided please describe your areas of possible academic interest. (you may enter up to 650 words). \*

**USC-University of Southern California**

1.Please respond to one of the prompts below. (250 word limit) \*



USC believes that one learns best when interacting with people of different backgrounds, experiences and perspectives. Tell us about a time you were exposed to a new idea or when your beliefs were challenged by another point of view. Please discuss the significance of the experience and its effect on you.



USC faculty place an emphasis on interdisciplinary academic opportunities. Describe something outside of your intended academic focus about which you are interested in learning.



What is something about yourself that is essential to understanding you?

2. Describe how you plan to pursue your academic interests and why you want to explore them at USC specifically. Please feel free to address your first- and second-choice major selections. (Approximately 250 words)\*

3. Describe yourself in three words. First Word:\*

4. What is your favorite snack?\*

5. Best movie of all time:\*

6. Dream job:\*

7. If your life had a theme song, what would it be?\*

8. Dream trip:\*

9. What TV show will you binge watch next? \*

10. Which well-known person or fictional character would be your ideal roommate?\*

11. Favorite book:\*

12. If you could teach a class on any topic, what would it be?\*

 **Purdue University**

1.How will opportunities at Purdue support your interests, both in and out of the classroom? (Respond in 100 words or fewer.)\*

2. Briefly discuss your reasons for pursuing the major you have selected. (Respond in 100 words or fewer.)\*

**Penn State**

**Personal Statement (Optional)**

Please tell us something about yourself, your experiences, or activities that you believe would reflect positively on your ability to succeed at Penn State. This is your opportunity to tell us something about yourself that is not already reflected in your application or academic records. We suggest a limit of 500 words or fewer.