



Personal statement form

Recognition of professional work experience requires demonstration of an applicant's advanced knowledge and skills in an area of practice and the application of that knowledge and skills autonomously and responsibly, using well-developed judgment and adaptability.

Your responses (max 150 words per response) to the following questions will be used to assist Macquarie University assess your eligibility for the program and Recognition of Prior Learning for entry based on your work experience.

Family Name: _____ Other Names: _____

Program: ☐ Master of Applied Finance ☐ Graduate Diploma of Applied Finance

QUESTION 1: WHY DO YOU WANT TO STUDY THE MASTER OF APPLIED FINANCE / GRADUATE DIPLOMA OF APPLIED FINANCE?

QUESTION 1: DESCRIBE YOUR CURRENT POSITION AT WORK

QUESTION 2: DISCUSS A KEY CONCEPT, PRINCIPLE OR MODEL USED IN YOUR AREA OF WORK (FOR EXAMPLE, 'DIVERSIFICATION' IS A KEY PRINCIPLE USED BY PORTFOLIO MANAGERS)



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QUESTION 3: DESCRIBE AN EXAMPLE OF A TASK OR PROJECT WHERE YOU HAVE APPLIED THIS KEY CONCEPT OR PRINCIPLE

QUESTION 4: WHAT SPECIALIST/ADVANCED KNOWLEDGE HAVE YOU DEVELOPED IN THIS ROLE THAT YOU DIDN'T HAVE WHEN YOU FINISHED YOUR UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE? PROVIDE AN EXAMPLE

QUESTION 5: WHAT INTEGRATIVE SKILLS (FOR EXAMPLE, CRITICAL THINKING) DO YOU THINK YOU HAVE DEVELOPED IN THIS ROLE?

QUESTION 6: PROVIDE AN EXAMPLE OF A TASK OR PROJECT YOU HAVE UNDERTAKEN IN THIS ROLE OR PREVIOUS POSITIONS WHICH DEMONSTRATES YOUR PROBLEM SOLVING SKILLS. THAT IS, WHERE YOU HAVE IDENTIFIED AND PROVIDED A SOLUTION TO A PROBLEM



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QUESTION 7: PROVIDE AN EXAMPLE OF A TASK OR PROJECT WHICH DEMONSTRATES YOUR ADAPTABILITY.

QUESTION 8: PROVIDE AN EXAMPLE OF A TASK OR PROJECT WHERE YOU HAVE BEEN REQUIRED TO COMMUNICATE A COMPLEX IDEA TO A DIVERSE AUDIENCE

QUESTION 9: PROVIDE AN EXAMPLE OF A TASK OR PROJECT YOU HAVE UNDERTAKEN IN THIS ROLE, OR IN THE PAST, WHICH DEMONSTRATES YOUR INDEPENDENT, PROFESSIONAL JUDGMENT.

QUESTION 10: ARE YOU A MEMBER OF A PROFESSIONAL FINANCE BODY? EG FINSIA. IF YES, HOW HAS THIS MEMBERSHIP CONTRIBUTED TO YOUR LEARNING?