

University of Louisville
College of Education and Human Development
Master of Education in Reading Education
(Leads to Kentucky Reading and Writing Endorsement P-12)

PERSONAL STATEMENT
COVER SHEET

Date: _____

Name: _____ Student ID: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Cell Phone: () _____ Home Phone: () _____

Work Phone: () _____ Email Address: _____

Indicate the semester you plan to begin the program: _____

Instructions for writing your personal statement:

The personal statement is the applicant's opportunity to demonstrate his/her writing ability as well as provide a personal introduction to the admissions screening committee. The personal statement should be no more than 500 words and should be double-spaced and word-processed. Applicants are encouraged to proofread their writing and to submit the best work possible. Applicants should review the Ideas to Action Holistic Constructs Rubric (<http://louisville.edu/education/degrees/files/med-tl-i2a-holistic-construct-rubric.pdf>) and the Ideas to Action Unit Dispositions Rubric (<http://louisville.edu/education/degrees/files/med-tl-unit-dispositions-rubric.pdf>) Application materials, including the personal statement, will be evaluated by a faculty member committee using these two rubrics.

In developing the personal statement, applicants are encouraged to identify and describe personal characteristics, abilities, beliefs and goals as well as diverse experiences with children and adolescents, which will contribute to their success as an outstanding educator. Also, explain why you are interested in the Reading and Writing Endorsement and how it will lend itself to your professional goals.

Please mail your completed cover sheet and personal statement to:

Graduate Admissions Office
Houchens Building
University of Louisville
Louisville, KY 40292