

- Why are you passionate about the subject you are applying for?
- Why does it inspire you?
- Why is it something you want to spend the next three/four years studying?

F. Scott Fitzgerald once wrote that the beauty of literature is "you discover that your longings are universal longings, that you're not lonely and isolated from anyone. You belong." This quote has always resonated with me. It elucidates how powerful literature can be. The words we write further express our character, we use language as a way to represent ourselves and through language we can relate and connect with one another.

English inspires me as it allows me to be creative. I am particularly interested in literary theory and how texts can be read in different ways. I recently wrote an essay on Macbeth taking a psychoanalytical approach. This reading of the text was an exciting and enriching experience as I got to view literature in a new way. I enjoy many aspects of English. I am interested in psychoanalytical and gendered readings of the gothic genre. One of my favourite texts from the genre is Charlotte Perkins Gilman's 'The Yellow Wallpaper'. I have always been an avid reader as well as a regular theatregoer. Studying English at degree level will grant me an opportunity to expand my horizons and knowledge, which will lead to my ultimate goal - to be able to teach English.

I have chosen to combine English with Film Studies, as I will be able to study both of my interests further. I am intrigued by the codes and conventions of filmmaking and film viewing. I enjoy a wide range of film genres specifically: classic Hollywood, comedies, and thrillers. On my course I have also directed short films, written short scripts, and researched film theories. During my time on my course I have learnt I am more drawn to film theory rather than the practical side, which is why I want to pursue the study of film theory further.

I am currently studying Creative Media. I enjoy the study of media, as it is a diverse topic that allows me to be creative in many different forms from filmmaking to graphic design. Media impacts our daily lives, it is something that is constantly growing and expanding. During my time on this course I have used my practical skills and also developed as a researcher. I have critically analysed parts of the media industry by conducting written research reports on high profile media companies and extensively analysed film, television, newspapers and magazines.

As well as my love for English and Film, I am also a fitness enthusiast; I love being active, going to the gym, and taking part in sporting activities and events. Not only do I enjoy fitness but also I see it as a gift, an opportunity to be the best I can be, as I believe self-improvement is the key to success. As an active listener of music, I am engaged with the poetic quality of lyrics. Music is a hybrid of literature and creative media - It is fascinating how artists of our time use music in a similar way to how poets used poetry in the past. I am the host of a music network on YouTube called 'SkyCityOrain' which has over 32,000 subscribers. I have gained many new skills whilst working on this project such as: connecting and interacting with people from all over the world, being independent, learning how to self-manage; allowing me to gain leadership skills. I have also acquired new skills in a real working environment as I have a part time job working for a retail business answering calls and talking to customers.

I am a hardworking, committed, and a dedicated individual. Choosing English and Film at degree level will open many opportunities for me in the future. My ultimate goal is to pursue those opportunities by becoming an English teacher so I can inspire a future generation.

Remember your persuasive techniques from English lessons.
 Rule of Three Emotive Language Listing

- Opening paragraph – first thing they will read.
- Should grab the admissions staff's attention.
- Something different, something personal or something powerful.

- What is the purpose of your degree?
- Where do you want it to get you?

- What do you want to learn whilst on your chosen university course?
- DO YOUR RESEARCH!**
 What modules/topics will the course/s you have applied for cover? Reference them in your statement.

- What do you do outside of college? P/T Job, Teams, Sports, Hobbies, Interests....
- Don't just say 'I DO THIS' extend it by saying what qualities and skills doing it gives you.**

- What have you been studying at college?
 - What has your college course taught you?
 - What units have you done?
- Make sure this is linked in to what you want to study.**

- Conclude by:
- Summarising your best qualities
 - Summarising why you are applying.