

Statement of Purpose

Your responses to these questions are an important part of your application package, and provide the Committee with information that is vital to their evaluation of your application. Please answer each set of questions completely and concisely. Avoid answers that don't directly answer the specific question. Please observe all page limits, font sizes, and spacing specifications.

PART 1: Experience and Background

Please answer the following. Limit your response to 1 page, 11-point font, single-spaced.

- Describe any team-oriented software development experiences you have had (if there are numerous examples pick 2 or 3). Briefly describe the nature of the projects, the general technologies involved, how many engineers were on your team, and describe your role on the team. (Note: projects may be professional, internships, or academic in nature).
- Reflect on any project that you have been involved with, and describe the most challenging issues that you faced *that did not have to do with technology or writing software*.

Part 2: Purpose, Goals, and Achievements

Please answer the following. Limit your response to 1 page, 11-point font, single-spaced.

- Describe your short-term goals (2-4 years) and long-term goals (5-7 years) upon graduation from this academic program. Feel free to describe your goals in terms of any relevant roles, domains, organizational technologies, expertise, and so forth. Describe specifically how the program to which you are applying, and Carnegie Mellon University more generally, aligns with your professional objectives.
- **Optional:** Briefly list any awards or distinctions that you have earned (one sentence for each).
- **Optional:** Provide a list of references publications that you have authored or co-authored.
- **Optional:** Please include additional information about yourself that you would like this year's Admission Committee to know.