



UNIVERSITY OF
ARKANSAS™

**Higher Education Doctoral (Ed.D.) Program
University of Arkansas**

Applicant Statement of Interest

The statement of interest is an important component of the overall application, as this reflection serves as a writing sample and highlights how your experiences and goals are a good fit for the University of Arkansas Doctoral (Ed.D.) program. Thoughtful reflection in your essay helps the admissions committee gauge your candidacy and mutually compatible fit for our program.

Instructions:

The statement of interest is a 2-4 page double-spaced essay in which the applicant should address the following:

Personal Background – What life experiences, qualities, and skills do you possess that make you a strong candidate for the higher education program and profession?

Professional Background – What prior educational and work experiences have prepared you to pursue a higher education doctoral degree and a career in postsecondary education?

Professional Goals – What are your short and long term educational and career goals, and how would the University of Arkansas Higher Education doctoral degree in particular contribute to your development in these areas?