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*Department of Curriculum and Instruction
Graduate Elementary Education Program*

Written Statement of Purpose

A purpose statement is required of all students seeking admission to Master's degree programs in Elementary Education at Texas State University-San Marcos. The statement should be single-spaced and no longer than two typed pages. Sign your name and write the date at the end of your essay. The statement should be sent directly to the Graduate Elementary Education Advisor in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction.

All individuals who are seeking Master's degrees in Elementary Education should respond to the prompt below:

Describe your reasons for applying for graduate study in Elementary Education, your particular interests within the major, why our program is a good fit for you, and your future career plans. Discuss other aspects of your personal background, interests, accomplishments, or cultural competencies and/or experiences that may assist the admissions committee in evaluating your preparation, aptitude, and motivation for graduate study and your ability to address the needs of our diverse world.

If you will be seeking certification with a Master's degree, also include the following information within your essay:

Describe your educational background, your experiences in working with youth, your reason for becoming a teacher, and your reason for selecting particular certification levels or specialty areas.

Send the purpose statement to:

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