## **Essay/Personal Statement**

## **Social Work**

All applicants must submit a personal statement. This statement is considered a writing sample and is reviewed as part of your application for content and writing quality. Your statement should be 3-4 pages, typed and double-spaced in correct APA format. The purpose of this statement is to obtain a clear understanding of your background and should include content about:

- a. Why you have chosen to enter the social work profession.
- b. Your ability to value the perspectives of diverse populations.
- c. How your academic, professional, personal, and volunteer experiences have prepared you for graduate studies in social work.
- d. Your motivation to apply to the MSW Program.