PERSONAL STATEMENT INTRODUCTIONS

	Prompt	Introduction
1: J.D.	**2 pages:** In order to get a better sense of our applicants, we require a "personal statement" on a topic of your choosing. Sharing this **information provides another opportunity for us to get to know you beyond your academic record**.	When I saw the sea of navy-clad eighth graders rushing in, my vision started to swim: within minutes, there were twenty-eight pairs of eyes looking at me. I stood in front of the whiteboard that I'd spent the morning preparing with vocab words, quotes for contemplation, and of course, my name: Ms. Jacobs. As a Seton Teaching Fellow, I was asking those students to look at me as a source of authority and knowledge. For a split second, I wanted to run out the door, but as my eyes came to focus on each student's face, I thought back to all the teachers who helped me become the first college graduate in my family.
2: M.A. Accountancy	**500 words:** Describe your **objectives** in undertaking graduate study. Considerable importance is placed on the applicant's **interest in** and **commitment to advanced study and professional development**.	I discovered my love for numbers while working at the cash register in my parents' convenience store. From a young age, I'd seen my father pouring over his books. In high school, I took pleasure in reconciling receipts at the end of the day, knowing my carefulness would make my parents' lives easier as tax season approached. Building on this passion, I am completing a BBA in Finance from Baruch College's Zicklin School of Business while working part-time at an Audit Assistant. I now have the strong analytic skills needed to succeed in the MS in Accounting program at NYU Stern. After passing the CPA exam and completing my degree, I hope to support small business owners like my parents.
3. M.A. Cyber Security	**500 words:** You should submit a special **purpose statement** with your application that states **your experience in cybersecurity and your motivation** for applying to the program.	I apply to the M.S. in Cybersecurity at Fordham University to hone my computer skills and prepare myself for a career keeping corporate data safe. My major in Graphic Design introduced me to HTML and CSS. Since completing my B.A., I have studied Python and SQL through Code Academy to further my knowledge of coding. I believe my strong communication skills and dedication to the field make me a good fit for the program.
4. Fulbright	**2 pages:** This document outlines the **Who, What, When, Where, Why, and How** of what you are proposing for your Fulbright year. Develop a **strong, feasible and compelling project**. The proposal should indicate **a clear commitment to the host country** community.	While most countries have stalled their efforts to meet the carbon targets laid out in the Paris Agreement, Portugal currently ranks #4 on the global climate change policy index, and is on-track to achieve net zero emissions by 2050. As Portuguese citizens have come to see climate change as an urgent threat, government regulation has increased—as have Corporate Social Responsibility initiatives. As a business student interested in entrepreneurial solutions to global problems, I hope to study the role of CSR in Portugal's response to global warming. I would be especially excited to conduct my research in collaboration with faculty at the Universidade de Lisboa during the year of the European Climate Change Adaptation conference. .