



ADMISSIONS DIALOGUE AND WRITING SAMPLE

Undergraduate Programs in Applied Studies

Your responses to the questions listed below constitute the Admissions Dialogue. This essay will help us to determine your appropriateness for the Applied Studies Program at Antioch University Los Angeles and also serves as a first sample of your writing skills. Please work alone and answer each question fully. The essay must be typed, double spaced, and three to four pages in length, with your name typed at the top of each page.

In addition, because you are applying into a professional studies program, we would like to see the degree to which you already have business writing skills. Please submit along with your admissions dialogue a short piece of business correspondence that you've written in the last year (such as a cover letter for a job or other letter of application, a request for information or funding, or an offer to provide service).

1. Please describe what motivated you to apply to AULA's Applied Studies program.
2. For an Applied Studies degree, students must choose a specific major (Applied Studies, Applied Arts and Media, Urban Communities and Justice, or Applied Technology and Business). Give your reasons why you chose this major, including an explanation about how your previous college coursework relates to this field of study (list any courses that you think are particularly relevant). Entering students need to bring in at least 27 units that can be applied toward their major -- and those units must constitute some unified, cohesive area of study related to the major.
3. AULA offers academic credit for college-level, documented learning that may have taken place through community activities or in non-traditional settings such in one's home or workplace. What learning have you experienced that you think may be appropriate for this form of academic credit? If any of this learning relates specifically to your major, please also describe how this adds to and differs from the coursework you will be transferring to us.
4. Tell us about your academic and professional communication skills, including your comfort with business and/or academic writing, making presentations, and being able to explain your technical or professional work to customers or clients.
5. Include a sample of business correspondence as described above.