



FISCHELL DEPARTMENT OF BIOENGINEERING

OPTIONAL PERSONAL HISTORY STATEMENT

To be uploaded via the Supplementary Application document upload within the “Program Upload Requirements” section of the application.

In addition to the required Statement of Purpose, Bioengineering applicants may include a separate, *optional* Personal History Statement via the Supplementary Application document upload within the “Program Upload Requirements” section of the application. The Personal History Statement can describe how your personal background and experiences informed your decision to pursue a graduate degree, as well as any experiences you’ve had with the following:

- Overcoming social, economic, educational, or physical barriers.
- Engagement in leadership roles, facilitating change or mentoring others.
- Community involvement/or service.

The Fischell Department of Bioengineering is committed to promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion. Carefully weighing strengths and achievements in and outside of the classroom allows evaluators to better understand applicants’ unique experiences, the potential for success, and prospective contributions to our graduate education environment.