

Thesis Letter of Interest

Include the following items in your letter of interest for consideration in to the thesis program.

1. Explain your research interests and goals and how they match to the faculty member that you plan to work with on your thesis project. Include your breadth and depth of research experience (we understand that it may be limited), your potential fit with the specified faculty's research agenda, and what potential benefits you plan to gain?
2. Provide examples of leadership potential and your ability to work with a diverse research team. Leadership and teamwork examples can be from academic/professional/community activities or employment.
3. What are your career or academic ambitions following the completion of your graduate degree? Include short (2-3 year) and long term goals (5-6 year).
4. As a student and even as a faculty member, science and research will involve several moments of trial and error before achieving success. Provide an example of when you failed at something you were heavily invested in and how you dealt with and learned from your failure.