SAGE Program Application Statement

Please answer the following questions in a Word doc or PDF file. Please note that the SAGE Application Statement will be evaluated for content and writing skills. Please answer questions with complete sentences and proper grammar. Consider visiting the SJSU Writing Center for writing support. Each question has a maximum length of **250 words**. Applicants are expected to provide fully developed responses rather than brief or superficial answers. Strong responses read more like a well-constructed paragraph response rather than scattered sentences.

A. Study Motivation and Academic Background

1. Motivation for Graduate Study (250-word limit)

What motivates you to pursue a graduate degree in the SAGE program at our department?

2. Academic Preparation and Program Alignment (250-word limit)

Could you elaborate on your academic background and how it aligns with this program?

3. Relevant Research and Professional Experience (250-word limit)

Please share your major relevant work experiences (e.g., paid or unpaid internship, volunteer experience) or research projects that have contributed to your preparation for this program.

4. Career Objectives and Professional Development (250-word limit)

How do you envision this graduate program fitting into your long-term career goals?

B. Research Interest

1. Background (250-word limit)

Please describe the background of your research interests. What prior research, experiences, or scientific gaps have shaped your interest in this area, and why is this topic important within your field of study?

2. Research Objective(s) and Questions (250-word limit)

Please provide an overview of the proposed research project you intend to pursue through the Department SAGE Program. Clearly state the primary objective(s) of the study and the specific research questions you aim to address. Note that the expected research timeline is 6-12 months.

3. Research Design and Methodology (250-word limit)

Please outline the research design of your proposed study. What methodologies, techniques, or approaches will you use to collect data.

4. Statistical Analyses and Expected Impact (250-word limit)

Please describe the statistical analyses or data interpretation strategies you plan to use to evaluate your results. How do you see your research contributing to the advancement of knowledge or the real world?