

# Statement of Purpose

In a double spaced, Times New Roman, 12-point font format, please include answers to the following questions:

- Introduce yourself by considering how your background (i.e., religion, race, socioeconomic status, ethnic background, gender, sexual orientation, ability status, etc.) relate to who you are now and the counselor you hope to become?
- Discuss how your previous experiences relate to pursuit of a career in counseling.
- Explain why you chose to apply to CSU's Counseling Program.
- Explain how you can be a valuable addition to the counseling program and what sets you apart from other potential candidates. If applicable, be sure to discuss any areas of your application that might need further clarification (e.g., GPA, non counseling related undergraduate degrees, etc.).
- Respond to the following questions:
  - How will your own personal experiences impact your work with a client?
  - What population (i.e., types of clients) would you struggle working with and why?