

Undergraduate Application Essay Topics

You should write a brief essay (300 – 500 words) on a topic that means something to you.

Your essay has to be your own work, done without anybody's help and without any external resources, specifically for this application.

If you are struggling to think of a topic, please feel free to use one of the suggestions below.

Topic I:

Write about your role model or a person you admire, and explain how you think Webster University could help you follow their example. If you do not have a specific role model, write about the qualities you hope to embody when you graduate from Webster.

Topic II:

Have you ever been in a situation where you felt compelled to question or challenge a belief or idea held by someone else? What prompted your thinking? What was the outcome?

Topic III:

Describe a problem you would like to solve or a service you would like to provide. It can be an intellectual challenge, a response to an ethical dilemma, or something personal and every day: the scale is irrelevant. Explain its significance to you and what steps you would take to deliver an outcome.

Topic IV:

Describe an idea or concept you find so engaging that it makes you lose all track of time. Why does it captivate you, and how do you think it could influence the development of your personality?

Topic V:

Have you ever learned (or failed to learn!) something that completely changed your life? It can be something complex or something very simple. Describe what it was and how it changed you or your circumstances.

Topic VI:

Write about an object of artistic expression that you love – it can be a book, a painting, a play, a film, a song or album, a sculpture, architectural work, anything! Explain why you find it so special and how it has affected you.