

Piper Kim's Application Package

For: Graduate Admissions Committee at the University of British Columbia

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APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS: UBC GRADUATE PROGRAM

CHECK YOUR ELIGIBILITY

Minimum Academic Requirements | English Language Requirements | Other Tests

Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies establishes the minimum admission requirements common to all applicants. Check first if you can meet those absolute minimums. Keep in mind that

- Each graduate program that you are applying to may have additional requirements that you will find in the Graduate Degree Program listing and on the program website
- Entry to UBC is competitive, i.e. each year we receive way more applicants who meet all our requirements than we can accept. Meeting minimum and program requirements is not a guarantee that you will be admitted.

Applicants from a university outside Canada in which English is not the primary language of instruction must provide results of an English language proficiency examination as part of their application.

Some of our programs require additional components, such as GRE or GMAT scores, as well as certain course or degree requirements.

MEET DEADLINES

All deadlines are program specific and can range from November of the previous year to April of a year for a September intake. The most important deadline is the application deadline. Without meeting the **application deadline**, a file may not be considered for evaluation. No changes can be made to the application after submission. Graduate programs can set two other deadlines - which may be the same as the application deadline or provide slightly more time to complete specific actions:

- **Transcript deadline:** Deadline to upload scans of official transcripts through the applicant portal in support of a submitted application. Information for accessing the applicant portal will be provided after submitting an online application for admission.
- **Referee deadline:** Deadline for the referees identified in the application for admission to submit references. See Letters of Reference for more information.

You have full access to all deadlines in the [degree program listing](#) or review an overview of application deadlines below.

PREPARE YOUR APPLICATION

- Online Application and Fee
- Academic Documents
- Reference Letters
- Statement of Interest
- English Language Test
- GRE or Other Tests
- Criminal Record Check
- Research Supervisor
- Proof of Citizenship

APPLY ONLINE

Once you have collected all your documents and are ready to apply, find out how to best move through the online application, what questions to expect, tips and tricks for your application and how to pay the application fee.

NEXT STEPS

While you wait for your application to be evaluated, there are a few things to bear in mind.

- Check your online application portal for the status of your application, references, English language scores (if applicable), and any additional information or documentation requested by the program.
- References should be received and recorded in your online application portal by/before the References deadline.
 - If a reference isn't recorded as having arrived as the deadline draws near, please contact the Referee to ensure the following:
 - That the Referee received the request (ask them to check junk filters)

- That the Referee actually clicked the Submit button. They may have uploaded the reference but overlooked the final submission step.
- If you have multiple email addresses, ensure you're checking the one you used in your application as you'll be alerted to the program decision, or requests for additional information, by email.

Please be patient, and resist the temptation to ask the program about the status of your application. UBC receives approximately 20,000 applications to graduate school. Rest assured that your program is working hard to evaluate applications and make admissions decisions as efficiently as possible. Most admission decisions are made in February and March, but this is highly dependent on the program to which you have applied and therefore, offers and declines can also be expected before and after this peak.

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University of British Columbia
Faculty of Arts, School of Journalism, Writing, and Media
6388 Crescent Road
Vancouver, BC
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Dear Graduate Admissions Committee,

I would like to express my interest in attending UBC's graduate program for the School of Journalism, Writing, and Media. This coming May 2023, I will be graduating UBC with a major in political science. During my four years, I have developed a strong passion towards writing along with research. Post-undergrad, I wish to further my education career with a heavy focus on journalism in media as I aspire to join the entertainment industry in the future as a public relations specialist.

Throughout my four years at UBC, I have taken a few classes that related to my future endeavors. For instance, I have expressed interest in media studies at UBC which consisted of courses such as journalism, creative writing, and visual arts. In JRNL100, I learned to write op-ed pieces and had the privilege to visit major news stations in Vancouver to learn more about the life of a journalist. Motivated with my passion, I was able to excel in this course and improve my writing skills. Moreover, I completed a commerce public relations course that assisted me in learning more about a portion of the professional aspect of journalism. With this course, I was able to learn how to strategically manage an organization's relationships with its diverse publics to achieve its goals, fulfill its purpose, and meet its social responsibilities. To further my interests in public relations, I joined an AMS student club called "Hong Kong Student Association" as a Public Relations executive. With this club, I wrote email templates to businesses to create a professional and mutually beneficial relationship. All these opportunities have shaped me in the best way and allowed me to gain the proper knowledge and experience.

I am interested in learning more about writing in Media through the graduate program at UBC. I believe that the journalism program would provide me the necessary guidance to achieve my goal in venturing into the entertainment industry. Based on my previous experience and strong passion towards this matter and my academia, I trust that I would be an excellent candidate for as a graduate student at the University of British Columbia, School of Journalism, Writing, and Media.

Sincerely,

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OBJECTIVE

A responsible, trustworthy college undergraduate student looking to further her education career.

EDUCATION

University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC— Degree

September 2019 - PRESENT

Third year Bachelor of Arts student, majoring in Political Science

Leonía High School, Leonía, NJ— Degree

September 2015 - June 2019

- Played Varsity Co-Ed Golf 2015-2019
- Clubs: DECA, Service Club, Ribbon Club & Spanish Club

LEADERSHIP

Ice Cream On Grand, Englewood, NJ— Manager

August 2018 - August 2022

- Supervised 20 employees
- Aided in the ice cream making process
- Catered to customer service and facilitated any issues encountered in the store
- Served food and samples to customers
- Cleaned all work areas and equipments and defrosted the freezers to maintain the cleanliness of the store
- Effectively took customers' orders on the Clover POS system with cash and credit card transactions
- Process and handled daily sales number and ensure cash register accuracy
- Trained new employees

University of British Columbia: Hong Kong Student Association, Vancouver, BC — Public Relations Executive

August 2019 - August 2021

- Responsible for gaining sponsorships for the student club
- Collaborated with other executives in writing emails
- Reached out to 10+ businesses and successfully received sponsorships from 6 businesses
- In charge of taking notes for our weekly meetings

Kung Fu Tea, Fort Lee, NJ— Employee

July 2020 - April 2021

- Catered to customer service and guide customers to the a drink of their liking
- Memorized the menu and the steps in making bubble tea
- Served orders at a effective speed
- Restocked ingredients
- Cleaned all work areas, equipments, machines, and utensils to maintain the cleanliness of the store
- Effectively took customers' orders on the Clover POS system with cash and credit card transactions
- Trained new workers

Sheeroo Cafe, Palisades Park, NJ— Employee

December 2017 - August 2018

- Communicated with both Korean and non-Korean customers
- Prepared and served food and drinks to customers
- Memorized the menu and effectively showcased my knowledge to the customers
- Cleaned tables and dished-washed dishes once customers left

SKILLS

- Executes leadership
- Customer Service
- People-oriented
- Quick learner

LANGUAGES

- Fluent in English
- Intermediate Level Korean

REFERENCES

Available upon request.

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Evan Chow
2329 West Mall
Vancouver, BC V6T 1Z4
Canada

Subject: Request for Reference Letter

Dear Evan,

Thank you for allowing me to follow your leadership during your time as director for UBC's Hong Kong Student Association. I have learned a great deal in reaching out to businesses and the technical elements of public relations. I appreciate your help and assistance. I am currently applying to the Graduate Program at the School of Journal, Writing, and Media at the University of British Columbia. I am required to submit three reference letters, and I would love for you to be one of my referees. With my experience in the club under your leadership, I feel like you would be the best fit to validate my skills and expertise. Please provide me with a reference letter that indicates my experience in the club as well as any insights you would like to include.

If you are unable to complete this reference letter, please let me know. If you have any questions or discussions, please don't hesitate to reach me at piperkim13@gmail.com.

I am looking forward to your response. Thank you!

Sincerely,

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Dr. Saranaz Barforoush
2329 West Mall
Vancouver, BC V6T 1Z4
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Subject: Request for Reference Letter

Dear Dr. Barforoush,

I hope you are well! My name is Piper Kim and I was one of your students in JRNL100. With your class, I have learned lots about journalism. In addition, I have greatly improved my writing with your help and assistance. I am currently applying to the Graduate Program at the School of Journal, Writing, and Media at the University of British Columbia. I am required to submit three reference letters, and I would love for you to be one of my referees. Please provide me with a reference letter that indicates my experience in the course as well as any insights you would like to include.

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Dr. Mary Lynn Young
2329 West Mall
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Subject: Request for Reference Letter

Dear Dr. Young,

I hope you are doing well! I am currently applying to the Graduate Program at the School of Journal, Writing, and Media at the University of British Columbia. Based on your status as my JRNL100 TA, I believe that you clearly understand my work and are able to evaluate my skills unbiasedly. I am required to submit three reference letters, and I would love for you to be one of my referees. Please provide me with a reference letter that indicates my work ethic in the class as well as any insights you would like to include.

If you are unable to complete this reference letter, please let me know. If you have any questions or discussions, please don't hesitate to reach me at piperkim13@gmail.com.

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