



Tips for Writing your ADHA Institute for Oral Health Scholarship Goals Statement

1. The Goals Statement section of the Scholarship application asks:
Prepare a statement within the space provided describing: 1) Your long term career goals following graduation; 2) Your intended contribution to the dental hygiene profession; 3) Your professional interests; 4) How your extracurricular activities and your degree enhance the attainment of your goals.
2. Committee members evaluate the overall quality, intent and phrasing of the applicant's Goals Statement. (Refer to the Style and Grammar Guides on the Resources For Students page for more help).
3. Reviewers pay close attention to the relationship of the applicant's honors, work experience, and extracurricular activities to the applicant's Goal Statement.
 - Draw connections and elaborate on your experience through your Goals Statement so the Committee Reviewers have a clear picture of who you are;
 - Use this space to explain what your Educational and Career Goals and,
 - Illustrate why are you applying to the ADHA Institute for Oral Health Scholarship and how would it help you achieve your goals.
4. Grammar, spelling and sentence structure is very important!
 - Reviewers will deduct one point (from your total of 5) from the applicant's score for poor grammar and/or spelling.
 - Deduct one additional point for applications where the Goal Statement or any other area does not adhere to the instructions as stated.
 - Deduct one additional point for Goals Statements that do not summarize the applicant's career goals as they relate to the specific scholarship for which that applicant has applied.