



## Personal Statement Program Admissions

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### Doctorate in Educational Leadership for Equity and Justice Admission Essays

The School of Education at CSU Channel Islands values the following mission statement:

*The School of Education at California State University Channel Islands serves students, families, and communities by effectively preparing culturally-competent teachers and leaders who work collaboratively to inspire learning and promote equity in and through education.*

**Directions:** Please respond to each of the following essay prompts. Maximum words: 500 words per essay, 12 font size, Times New Roman, double-spaced

#### **Essay #1: Personal Statement**

In your own writing, and using the tone and voice of a leader focused on equity and justice, answer the following:

1. Why are you interested in the Doctorate in Educational Leadership for Equity and Justice (DELEJ) at CSU Channel Islands?
2. Briefly discuss your background and professional experience and explain how your experience has prepared you for the DELEJ Program.

#### **Essay #2: Leadership for Equity and Justice**

In your own writing, and using the tone and voice of a leader focused on equity and justice, answer the following:

1. Describe an issue at your current place of employment which you believe hinders diversity, equity, inclusion, access, and justice (DEIAJ) for employees, students, parents, or other key constituents in your organization.
2. Explain *why* you think this hinders DEIAJ at your organization.
3. What action steps or strategies should the organization take to promote positive outcomes to ensure diversity, equity, inclusion, access, and justice?