

Statement of Research Interest – M.Sc.

The **Statement of Research Interest** is critical to your application for admission to our graduate program. Ultimately, it will determine if you are a good match with the program and IF the Telfer School of Management is the right choice for you.

Your Statement of Research Interest is your opportunity to create a good first impression. It should offer evidence of quality, clarity, and originality of your mind; your skills as a researcher and writer; your maturity and sense of direction. A thoughtful, concise (approximately 800-1000 words), well-written, coherently organized statement free of any grammatical and typographical errors can go a long way toward favorably disposing a committee on your behalf. The statement of research interest provides an initial perspective of your research interests and career objectives, even though they may change later on.

Your statement should contain information about you as a person. It should sum up your scholarly interests and academic objectives in a clear and straightforward fashion. Ultimately, the objective is to leave the reader believing that you are prepared for advanced academic work and will be successful in graduate school.

Specifically, your Statement of Research Interest should answer these questions:

- What is the specific area of research you are interested in? Why the Telfer School of Management to address this research topic? How did you become interested in your chosen field? Be as specific as you can about the topic you wish to research. Familiarize yourself with the topic, the experts at the Telfer School of Management, the context and related issues.

For example: where do your interests stem from? What courses or assignments have shaped your particular research interests? Which authors have influenced your thinking? Are there any readings or speakers that have drawn you to your topic? How will the M.Sc. at the Telfer School of Management contribute to your development as a researcher and your career ambition?

- Any other relevant details about your academic background or record that you would like to bring to our attention?

Do you know who you would like to work with?

Cite potential supervisors by name. Read their literature. Be familiar with their research and know how and why they can impact your area of study.

The following links list the professors involved in teaching and student supervision for our two MSc. programs:

[M.Sc. in Management Core Faculty](#)

[M.Sc. in Health Systems Core Faculty](#)