

Preliminary Academic Interests

Which degree would you *most likely* pursue at Princeton? Your choice is *not* binding in any way.

- A.B. – Bachelor of Arts (arts and pure sciences) B.S.E. – Bachelor of Science in Engineering (engineering and applied sciences) Undecided

If you select B.S.E., please complete the engineering essay on page 6.

What programs of study do you think you would like to follow at Princeton? Please indicate the three departments in which you are most interested at this time. Your choices are *not* binding in any way. Your preferences simply give us an idea of what your academic interests are *at this time*.

A.B. departments

Anthropology	Economics	Physics
Architecture	English	Politics
Art and Archaeology	French and Italian	Psychology
Astrophysical Sciences	Geosciences	Religion
Chemistry	German	Slavic Languages and Literatures
Classics	History	Sociology
Comparative Literature	Mathematics	Spanish and Portuguese Languages and Cultures
Computer Science	Molecular Biology	Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs
East Asian Studies	Music	
Ecology and Evolutionary Biology	Near Eastern Studies	
	Philosophy	

B.S.E. departments

Chemical and Biological Engineering
 Civil and Environmental Engineering
 Computer Science
 Electrical Engineering
 Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering
 Operations Research and Financial Engineering

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Certificate Programs

In addition to majoring in one of the departments listed above, many students also choose to complete one or more certificate programs. In some cases they constitute a focus within a particular department (e.g., the creative writing track in English); in other cases they are interdisciplinary (e.g., environmental studies). Programs award a certificate of proficiency. If, in addition to the choices of major you indicated above, you also have an interest in any of the programs listed below, please indicate the three in which you are most interested at this time. Again, your choices are *not* binding in any way.

African American Studies	European Cultural Studies	Neuroscience
African Studies	Finance	Planets and Life
American Studies	Gender and Sexuality Studies	Quantitative and Computational Biology
Applications of Computing	Geological Engineering	Robotics and Intelligent Systems
Applied and Computational Mathematics	Global Health and Health Policy	Russian and Eurasian Studies
Architecture and Engineering	Hellenic Studies	South Asian Studies
Biophysics	Information Technology and Society	Sustainable Energy
Contemporary European Politics and Society	Jazz Studies	Teacher Preparation
Creative Writing	Judaic Studies	Theater
Dance	Language and Culture	Translation and Intercultural Communication
East Asian Studies	Latin American Studies	Urban Studies
Engineering and Management Systems	Latino Studies	Values and Public Life
Engineering Biology	Linguistics	Visual Arts
Engineering Physics	Materials Science and Engineering	Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs
Environmental Studies	Medieval Studies	
	Musical Performance	
	Near Eastern Studies	

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Summers

Please tell us how you have spent the last two summers (or vacations between school years), including any jobs you have held, if not already detailed on the Common Application.

A Few Details

Your favorite book:

Your favorite movie:

Your favorite website:

Two adjectives your friends would use to describe you:

Your favorite recording:

Your favorite keepsake or memento:

Your favorite source of inspiration:

Your favorite word:

Your favorite line from a movie or book (and its title):

Essay: Your Voice

In addition to the essay you have written for the Common Application, please select **one** of the following themes and write an essay of about 500 words in response. Please do not repeat, in full or in part, the essay you wrote for the Common Application.

1. Tell us about a person who has influenced you in a significant way.

2. Using the statement below as a starting point, tell us about an event or experience that helped you define one of your values or changed how you approach the world.

“Princeton in the Nation’s Service” was the title of a speech given by Woodrow Wilson on the 150th anniversary of the University. It became the unofficial Princeton motto and was expanded for the University’s 250th anniversary to “Princeton in the nation’s service and in the service of all nations.”

Woodrow Wilson, Princeton Class of 1879, served on the faculty and was Princeton’s president from 1902–1910.

3. Using the following quotation from “The Moral Obligations of Living in a Democratic Society” as a starting point, tell us about an event or experience that helped you define one of your values or changed how you approach the world.

“Empathy is not simply a matter of trying to imagine what others are going through, but having the will to muster enough courage to do something about it. In a way, empathy is predicated upon hope.”

Cornel West, Class of 1943 University Professor in the Center for African American Studies, Princeton University

4. Using a favorite quotation from an essay or book you have read in the last three years as a starting point, tell us about an event or experience that helped you define one of your values or changed how you approach the world. Please write the quotation at the beginning of your essay.

Essay

Engineering Essay

If you are interested in pursuing a B.S.E. (Bachelor of Science in Engineering) degree, please write an essay describing why you are interested in studying engineering, any experiences in or exposure to engineering you have had, and how you think the programs in engineering offered at Princeton suit your particular interests.