



# CONTINUE YOUR EDUCATION

A simple how-to guide for most study areas.

"Why should I go to grad school?"

## Benefits of continuing education:

- Many areas of study require specialized training to reach your desired career path.
- You will gain more experience in specific areas you are interested in.
- You could gain more marketability in today's competitive job market. A graduate degree makes you stand out in a job search!



**Check specific program requirements and tailor your experiences to what your goal programs look for!**

## How should I prepare?

- Reach out to admissions departments at your desired schools to confirm what tests are required and the average scores for accepted students.
- It is never too early to start studying. Kaplan, Khan Academy, and Princeton Review are all great resources for prep classes.
- Start writing your personal statement! Your advisor or mentor will be able to edit this for you.



## Meet with your Career Advisor!

- Your career advisor can help you tailor your resume for grad schools, make recommendations for internships or other experiences, and provide other advice for admissions!
- Career Services also has networking opportunities, information sessions for specific programs or employers, or can help connect you with grad admissions officers.

## What steps can I take for admission?

- Reach out to current or former students in your desired programs! They will be able to share admissions tips and can help you expand your network.
- Focus on your GPA, but don't focus *only* on your GPA. Most programs have baseline GPA requirements, but your application should boast more than just a high GPA.
  - Research, shadowing, internships, community service, or volunteer work all make an application more competitive!

**Visit open houses to get individual glimpses of each program!**



**A gap year may help you if there are holes in the experience portion of your resume.**



Strong letters of recommendation are vital. Build relationships with employers, advisors, professors, and mentors, and ask if they would be willing to write you a letter!

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