

**MASTER OF ARTS IN ETHNIC STUDIES
COLLEGE OF ETHNIC STUDIES
SAN FRANCISCO STATE UNIVERSITY
APPLICATION FORM COVER SHEET**

DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 1

(Please attach this as a cover sheet to the Master of Arts in Ethnic Studies application).

Name: _____ Soc. Sec. # _____
Address: _____ Phone: _____
_____ Email: _____

RESEARCH INTEREST AREA [CHECK ONE]:

- African Americans Asian Americans Pan-ethnic/comparative
 American Indians Latino Americans

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

INSTRUCTIONS: Please provide responses to each of the following statements in the following format. In your narrative, (a) copy each of the numbered statements and follow it with your response; and (b) be as complete and detailed in your answers to assist the Admissions Committee in its evaluation.

1. Why are you applying to the Master's Program in Ethnic Studies?
[be sure to include information on your particular research interest area]
2. Explain how your undergraduate degree relates to the M.A. in Ethnic Studies.
[include your undergraduate major and where you received the degree]
3. What is your career objective and how will the M.A. in Ethnic Studies assist you in achieving your career goals?
4. Provide information on your background including experiences and involvement with communities of color.
5. Academic background in Ethnic Studies: **discuss one of the following:**
(a) 12 semester [16 quarter] units of ethnic related coursework that you have taken; OR, (b) a combination of coursework and experience; OR, (c) experience comparable to 12 semester units of coursework in Ethnic Studies.

List all undergraduate universities or colleges attended:

In addition, the following items are required to complete the application process:

1. A complete set of official college transcripts must be submitted to the College of Ethnic Studies, AND, to the Office of Graduate Admissions (addresses below)*.
[Note to current SFSU student applicants and alumni: We can obtain a copy of your SFSU transcripts, including transfer institutions, if you notify us in writing to do so. This request takes about two weeks to process].
2. A writing sample (15 pages or less) that best reflects your current research interest(s) or proposed area of graduate study.
3. Two (2) letters of recommendation to the College of Ethnic Studies, preferably from individuals who have direct knowledge of your academic abilities. [Do not send letters of recommendation to the Office of Graduate Admissions].
4. A current vita (academic history, teaching or job experience, conference presenter, publications, etc.)
5. A general University graduate application via CSU Mentor. To access the online application, go to www.sfsu.edu/~gradstdy.

*6. Mailing addresses:

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