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Personal Statement Template

Three questions for 2026 entry. Draft each answer here by hand, then count the characters.

Each answer needs at least 350 characters. All three together must fit within 4,000 characters including spaces, split however you choose. Admissions staff read the three as one statement, so do not repeat yourself.

QUESTION 01

“Why do you want to study this course or subject?”

FOCUS: AN INFORMED CHOICE, NOT JUST ENTHUSIASM

- Show you understand that dentistry blends cosmetic, restorative and pain-relief work.
- Show reading beyond school; the British Dental Journal is a good starting point.
- Back each point with specific evidence. Do not restate your grades.

Characters in this answer: _____ **(at least 350)** Running total: _____ / 4,000

QUESTION 02

“How have your qualifications and studies helped you to prepare for this course or subject?”

FOCUS: THE DEMANDS OF THE DEGREE, NOT JUST GOOD GRADES

- Link science coursework to dentistry, for example anatomy to dental application.
- Name the resilience or self-motivation that rigorous study has built.
- An EPQ, a relevant competition or a structured online course can show sustained interest.

Characters in this answer: _____ (at least 350) Running total: _____ / 4,000

QUESTION 03

“What else have you done to prepare outside of education, and why are these experiences useful?”

FOCUS: NOT WHERE YOU GOT EXPERIENCE, BUT HOW YOU DISCUSS IT

- Name the skill: manual dexterity from a hobby, reassuring people from customer-facing work, working under pressure, or teamwork.
- Make everything relevant to dentistry, even a hobby or a part-time job.
- Avoid a generic 'I want to help people' with nothing specific behind it.

Characters in this answer: _____ (at least 350) **All three together: _____ / 4,000**