

The Ohio State University identifies diversity as one of its core institutional values. By ensuring that the university community includes members of various cultural, ethnic and socio-economic backgrounds, Ohio State endeavors to provide an optimal learning environment for all students. Bearing this in mind, please write an essay, limited to no more than 1,000 words, which includes a self-portrait of how your own cultural, tribal, ethnic and/or socio-economic background has influenced your life.

As you construct your essay, be sure to:

- Describe those programs or activities in which you have been involved that clearly demonstrates your commitment to diversity.
- Highlight any events that display your willingness to reach out and engage with people who are culturally or ethnically different from you.
- Explain how your selection as an MSP scholar will enhance diversity at The Ohio State University