

2018–2019 Supplemental Prompts

(Examples of, not an exhaustive list)

AMERICAN — How do you personally define an inclusive environment? What do you believe contributes to a diverse and accepting community? (400 words Common App; 650 words Coalition App)

BOSTON COLLEGE — Great art evokes a sense of wonder. It nourishes the mind and spirit. Is there a particular song, poem, speech, or novel from which you have drawn insight or inspiration? (400 words)

PRINCETON — Write about a person, event or experience that helped you define one of your values or in some way changed how you approach the world. (250–600 words)

UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE — Relate a personal experience in which you were denied an opportunity or treated unfairly. How did you resolve the situation? If that were to happen during your college experience, what would you do? (250 words)

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA — What is your favorite snack? What is your theme song? (100 characters each)

COLUMBIA — List the titles of the books you read for pleasure that you enjoyed most in the past year. (150 words)

COLLEGE OF WILLIAM & MARY — Beyond your impressive academic credentials and extracurricular accomplishments, what else makes you unique and colorful? Anything goes! Inspire us, impress us, or just make us laugh. (650 words)

YALE — What inspires you? (35 words)

ELON — It's 2040. What's today's headline? (500 words)

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA — Please tell us an interesting or amusing story about yourself from your high school years that you have not already shared in your application? (300 words)

DARTMOUTH — "I have no special talent," Albert Einstein once observed. "I am only passionately curious." Celebrate your curiosity. (250–300 words)

BARNARD — Pick one woman in history or fiction to converse with for an hour and explain your choice. What would you talk about? (100–250 words)

WAKE FOREST — Give us your top 10 list. First, please provide a theme. (100 characters each)

LEHIGH — Why have you chosen to apply to Lehigh University? (150 words)

VILLANOVA — Share a situation when you have needed help and what you have taken away from this experience. (250–1,000 words)

PROVIDENCE — In a divided society filled with strong opinions, how do you work to ensure all viewpoints are considered and the ultimate truth is discovered? (500 words)

STANFORD — Imagine you had an extra hour in the day — how would you spend that time? (50 words)

SYRACUSE — Who is the person you dream of becoming and how do you believe Syracuse University can help you achieve this? (250 words)

EMORY — What motivates you to learn? (150 words)

DUKE — If you would like the opportunity, we invite you to share more about your sexual orientation. (250 words)

HARVARD — The Harvard College Honor code declares that we “hold honesty as the foundation of our community.” As you consider entering this community that is committed to honesty, please reflect on a time when you or someone you observed had to make a choice about whether to act with integrity and honesty. (no word limit)

LAFAYETTE — There’s a difference between being busy and being engaged. Choose one activity and add depth to our understanding of your involvement. What do you do? Why do you do it? (20–200 words)

MIT — Tell us about the most significant challenge you’ve faced or something important that didn’t go according to plan. How did you manage the situation? (200–250 words)

