

KDI School of Public Policy and Management

Statement of Purpose(SoP) Questions

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Master of Public Policy (MPP)	Q1. Explain your most important accomplishment and explain why you think it as such. (Less than 1,500 characters)
	Q2. Explain which public policy problems you are interested in solving and why you think it as such. (Less than 1,500 characters)
	Q3. Explain your curricular or extra-curricular experience that shows your interest in quantitative or qualitative analysis on social phenomenon. (Less than 1,500 characters)
	Q4. Explain how you think the KDI School curriculum will help you fulfill your career aspiration given your professional and academic background and experience. (Less than 1,500 characters)
Master of Development Policy (MDP)	Q1. Explain how your personal or professional experiences have shaped your interest in development policy or international development cooperation. (Less than 1,500 characters)
	Q2. Identify and explain what you believe to be the most significant development challenge facing a developing country or region of your choice. (Less than 1,500 characters)
	Q3. Explain the research topic and research plan you want to pursue at the KDI School and explain why. (Less than 1,500 characters)
	Q4. What are your career goals, and how do you think the MDP program at KDIS will help you achieve them? (Less than 1,000 characters)
Master of Public Management (MPM)	Q1. What does public interest mean to you? (Less than 1,500 characters)
	Q2. Explain classes and concentrations at the KDI School you are interested in and explain why. (Less than 1,000 characters)
	Q3. Despite careful calibration and good intentions, even the best-crafted policy solutions often fail to achieve their desired outcomes. What factors contribute to this? (Less than 1,500 characters)
	Q4. Explain how you think the KDI School experience will help you fulfill your career aspiration given your professional and academic background and experience. (Less than 1,500 characters)
Master in Intellectual Property and Development Policy (MIPD)	Q1. [REQUIRED] Explain your most important accomplishment and explain why you think it as such. (Less than 2,000 characters)
	Q2. [REQUIRED] Explain classes and concentrations at the KDI School you are interested in and explain why. (Less than 1,000 characters)
	Q3. [REQUIRED] Explain your research topic and research plan you want to pursue at the KDI School and explain why. (Less than 1,500 characters)
	Q4. [REQUIRED] Explain how you think the KDI School experience will help you fulfill your career aspiration given your professional and academic background and experience. (Less than 1,500 characters)
	Q5. [OPTIONAL] List any additional comments here. (Less than 1,500 characters)
Master of Data Science for Public Policy and Management (MDS)	Q1. Can you share a policy issue that excites you and explain how a data science approach could address it? What kinds of data would you collect, and which computational or statistical methods might you apply? (Less than 1,500 characters)
	Q2. Tell us about a project where you applied data analysis. What challenges did you encounter, and how did you tackle them? (Less than 1,500 characters)
	Q3. What are your career aspirations after completing our MDS program? How do you envision blending your previous experience with the data science skills you aim to acquire here? (Less than 1,500 characters)
	Q4. What are the two or three most impactful courses you've taken in mathematics, statistics, computer science, or a related field? What key lessons or skills did you gain from these courses? (Less than 1,500 characters)
	Q5. The field of data science is constantly evolving. Can you tell us about a time when you had to learn a new tool, technology, or concept quickly? How did you approach the learning process, and what did you achieve? (Less than 1,500 characters)
Ph.D. Development Policy(DP) / Public Policy(PP)	Q1. Explain what your career aspiration is and how the doctoral program at the KDI School would help achieve your goals. (Less than 1,000 characters)
	Q2. Describe your academic background and professional work experiences relevant to the program, including methodological training and experiences, if any. (Less than 1,000 characters)
	Q3. Explain which courses you would like to take at the KDI School and how they would help your research. (Less than 500 characters)