

University of California – Due 11/30/2016

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| <p>Prompt #1 Describe an example of your leadership experience in which you have positively influenced others, helped resolved disputes, or contributed to group efforts over time.</p> | <p>Prompt #2 Every person has a creative side, and it can be expressed in many ways: problem-solving, original and innovative thinking, and artistically, to name a few. Describe how you express your creative side.</p> | <p>Prompt #3 What would you say is your greatest talent or skill? How have you developed and demonstrated that talent over time?</p> | <p>Prompt #4 Describe how you have taken advantage of a significant educational opportunity or worked to overcome an educational barrier you faced.</p> |
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| <p>Why are you asking? College requires critical thinking, action, and individual thoughts - no matter what the major.</p> <p><i>Do you consider yourself a <u>leader</u>?</i></p> <p><i>Is there a specific incident where you were able to demonstrate your passion for a belief or idea by leading?</i></p> <p>YES? Then this is the prompt for you!</p> | <p>Why are you asking? College requires you to be independently motivated to learn. Your creative interests are an example of something you do because you WANT to rather than HAVE to.</p> <p><i>Do you consider yourself an <u>artist</u>?</i></p> <p><i>Do you take your creative side just as serious, if not more so, than your "academics"?</i></p> <p>YES? Then this is the prompt for you!</p> | <p>Why are you asking? Similar to Prompt #3, but calling out a talent or skill that doesn't have to be "creative." Again, we want to know about your self-motivation!</p> <p><i>Is there something specific that YOU do <u>really well</u>?</i></p> <p><i>Do you take your talent or skill just as serious, if not more so, than your "academics"?</i></p> <p>YES? Then this is the prompt for you!</p> | <p>Why are you asking? College IS a huge opportunity, and you WILL face barriers. Some people believe the best predictor of future behavior is PAST behavior.</p> <p><i>Have you participated in anything specific that <u>feels like "college"</u>?</i></p> <p><i>Whether or not you were successful, did you learn some valuable skills?</i></p> <p>YES? Then this is the prompt for you!</p> |

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| <p>Prompt #5</p> <p>Describe the most significant challenge you have faced and the steps you have taken to overcome this challenge. How has this challenge affected your academic achievement?</p> | <p>Prompt #6</p> <p>Describe your favorite academic subject and explain how it has influenced you.</p> | <p>Prompt #7</p> <p>What have you done to make your school or your community a better place?</p> | <p>Prompt #8</p> <p>What is the one thing that you think sets you apart from the other candidates applying to the University of California?</p> |
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| <p>Why are you asking? College won’t always be easy. How can we be sure that you won’t quit when it gets tough?</p> <p><i>Have you experienced something <u>really challenging</u>?</i></p> <p><i>Is there a specific incident that changed your entire perspective on what you’re capable of academically?</i></p> <p>YES? Then this is the prompt for you!</p> | <p>Why are you asking? A big part of college is finally getting to study what you WANT to!</p> <p><i>Even if you are going in as “Undeclared”, do you have a subject you are <u>passionate about</u>?</i></p> <p><i>Can you see a direct connection between this subject and how you live your life?</i></p> <p>YES? Then this is the prompt for you!</p> | <p>Why are you asking? College is more than just a campus, it’s a community. We want to invest in people who take pride in themselves and their environment.</p> <p><i>Do you consider yourself an <u>activist</u>?</i></p> <p><i>Is there a specific incident where you saw a problem and took action to improve your surroundings?</i></p> <p>YES? Then this is the prompt for you!</p> | <p>Why are you asking? College is made of individuals . We want to invest in people who know who they are!</p> <p><i>Are you proud of <u>WHO you are</u>?</i></p> <p><i>Is there something crucial to your identity you didn’t have a chance to mention thus far?</i></p> <p>YES? Then this is the prompt for you!</p> |