

Personal statement supplement

Dear Haifa University Admission Committee,

First of all, I would like to say thank you for giving me this chance to apply for the Master of Statistics course this fall. At the same time, I would like to express my special thanks to Hagit, who has been communicating with me promptly these days and trying to help me for the application.

In fact, these days I have been asking myself why I choose statistics. The more I learn, the clearer my reasons become. First, what attracts me about statistics is that statistics can make me a decision-maker. I can find hidden rules through data processing, not just follow the data without understanding, which makes me feel a great sense of achievement. Second, studying statistics involves a lot of calculations and problem-solving. It's not easy, but it is interesting and I enjoy the challenge and the mental growth it brings. Third, I hope the knowledge I have learned can be applied in practice to solve real-world problems, rather than building castles in the air. Statistics is ideal for this purpose due to its wide range of applications, from weather forecasting to national policy-making.

I acknowledge that my current academic background lacks extensive knowledge in statistics. Even the most passionate words about my desire to join the course might seem pale. Since statistics speaks through data, I believe it's essential to show my determination in the same language. Therefore, I plan to take courses in probability on Coursera and sort out the basic knowledge points of statistics before the beginning of the semester. If time permits, after completing probability theory, I intend to study applied statistics or mathematical statistics. I aim to compile and present what I've learned to the committee before the semester starts, so you can evaluate whether I am qualified to enroll this year.

Thank you very much for considering my application.

Regards,
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