

Tips on How to Write Your “My Story” Personal Statement:

Write an essay titled "My Story" that tells the Scholarship Review Committee about you. Please use specific examples to help the reader to be able to visualize your life story. This is your opportunity to shine and to explain to the Review Committee what makes you stand out from the crowd and deserving of this scholarship.

Here are some questions that you might want to answer while writing your “My Story” personal statement.

Educations:

- What is your and your family’s educational background? Are you the first in your family to go to college? Have you previously attended other colleges? Why did you choose Foothill?
- What is your educational goal (transfer program, AA/AS, etc.)?
- What is your major? What is your plan for when you graduate from college?
- What is your plan for a professional career?

About You:

- What is your family situation? What background information would you like to share?
- What is your main financial and/or personal obstacle to achieving academic success?
- Did you ever have to overcome an obstacle? How did you do it? What did you learn from it?
- Do you work? Do you volunteer?
- Does anyone help you with your educational/living expenses?
- Do you participate in any groups, clubs, service organizations, etc.?