



Sample Personal Statement for College Application

I vividly remember the summer vacation my family spent at Addu Atoll, Maldives in the year 2009. My father had managed to secure a reservation at the heavenly South Palm Resort. My interactions with staff and resort manager at this facility sowed the seed of interest that would grow into a tree of intense passion for the field of hospitality and tourism several years later. I am a person who loves traveling to exotic locations to get first-hand experience of the culture, people and cuisine of that place. I have had the opportunity to travel to countries like Italy, Spain, and New Zealand as a tourist with my family. During these visits we would stay in comfortable and stylish hotels and subject ourselves to the hospitality of the staff. The etiquette shown by a waiter at the dinner table is something that I have always marveled at. He or she would often walk at a brisk pace, arms folded, holding the desserts we ordered and would serve us with a smile on his/her face. I would often imitate these waiters at home while food was being served.

Over the years I have developed a special liking to the service sector related with the tourism industry. My uncle owns a hotel in our hometown and over the years I have made it a habit of visiting the place and hanging out just to observe how the staff treat the customers. When the place is understaffed, I would put on an apron and take up the responsibilities of a waiter. There is something exquisitely thrilling about preparing a dinner table or pouring a glass of wine with finesse. I have also been working on my cooking skills by taking lessons from my father who is an incredible cook. I have been slowly preparing myself for a career in hospitality management all these years and now that I have completed my intermediate studies, I wish to join a prestigious college that would shape my temperament and help me acquire advanced management skills.

As an academic, I have always given one hundred percent to my studies. I completed my grade X from Peevees Model School with 96% and intermediaries from Little Flower International School with 95%. In grade XII, I was elected as the student representative due to my scholastic prowess and extroverted nature. I was tasked with listening to the students' concerns and discussing it with class tutors. This role has allowed me to gain excellent problem solving and communication skills. If an issue arises while classroom discussions, I try to intervene and diffuse the situation in a diplomatic manner. I am hoping that these abilities will help me manage people and resources at a professional level. I have also given athletics great consideration during my basic education. I was a member of the school football team and have participated in various inter school tournaments. I also love playing chess as the game has improved my analytical skills. My current hobbies are taking cooking lessons from my father, reading novels and watching BBC documentaries on planet earth.

I wish to pursue the Bachelor's in Hospitality and Tourism Management program offered by College of Vocational Studies Delhi, as it is one of the top rated hospitality management courses in the country. I am confident that pursuing this program at your institution would prepare me for a successful career as a Hotel Manager or Restaurant Manager.