

## UC LEADS Program Personal Statement

**Please type or print legibly.**

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Major \_\_\_\_\_

**Please write a brief narrative which addresses the questions below relevant to your own background and experience.**

Describe your academic and career goals after receiving your bachelor's degree. If you have experienced social, economic or other disadvantages that you have had to overcome, please discuss the ways in which these experiences have affected your academic opportunities. If your academic interests relate to issues affecting educationally underrepresented groups in society or your research will contribute to serving or expanding their opportunities, please describe those academic interests. Educationally underrepresented groups may include those who by virtue of race, color, creed, national origin, sex or other status have been underrepresented in the student body and/or faculty ranks in higher education. Also, if relevant, please discuss how your prior life experiences - academic, professional, volunteer, etc. - demonstrate this commitment to serving educationally underrepresented segments of society. 500 word limit, please use the space below or attach an additional page.

*I hereby certify to the best of my knowledge that all information submitted is complete and correct. I understand that failure to disclose accurate information is grounds for immediate termination from this program.*

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_