



[The Leadership Brainery Graduate Summit 2024](#) application asks you to respond to the following prompt in 250-300 words:

What inspired your decision to pursue graduate education, and which aspects of this year's Graduate School Summit do you find most intriguing or valuable for your academic journey?

In your response, be sure to keep a few things in mind:

1. BE SPECIFIC

Describe your academic goals especially as they relate to graduate school.

- Articulate specific academic goals and potential graduate programs or schools of interest, showing how these align with your career aspirations.
- Explain how your intended graduate studies and degree will contribute to achieving your dream career, emphasizing the impact you hope to make.

2. DO YOUR RESEARCH

To answer the second part of the question, you need to do your research!

- Demonstrate research into Leadership Brainery's mission and reference specific elements from the Graduate School Summit website.

3. DESCRIBE YOUR LEADERSHIP STYLE & GOALS

The Summit is designed to guide you through the graduate school path, and to cultivate academic and professional leadership.

- Reflect on how you may use the knowledge and networks gained through our program to give back to your community or create positive change.

OTHER TIPS:

- **Read the Question Carefully:** Ensure you understand what the question is asking before you start writing your response.
- **Be Concise:** Focus on providing the necessary information without going over the 250-300 word limit.
- **Stay Relevant:** Be direct in addressing the prompt.
- **Provide Specific Examples:** The strongest responses will be those that discuss tangible goals.
- **Use Clear Language:** Write in clear and straightforward language to ensure your response is easy to understand.
- **Answer in Complete Sentences:** Even though short answer questions are brief, they still require complete sentences.
- **Proofread Your Response:** Take a moment to review your answer for any errors in grammar, spelling, or punctuation before submitting it.
- **Check for Understanding:** After completing your response, ensure that you have addressed all aspects of the question.
- **Be Confident:** Present your response with confidence. You are an expert of your own experiences.

Do not try to do it all! We are looking for a coherent narrative that describes a few facets of you as a person, which may intersect with one or more of these items, and ultimately ties back to your potential as a leader.