The “Statement of Purpose” is a description of who you are, what has influenced your career path so far, your research interests, your motivations for research and plans for furthering your career.

It should include address the following:

1. Your motivation for pursuing research
2. Your research interests
3. Your academic background, achievements, skills and experiences as relevant for your research interests
4. Potential projects / departments / faculty guides that you would like to work with
5. Your future goals

The statement should be written as an essay. It is not traditional curriculum vitae. Use this to highlight your strengths and commitment as a researcher and to convince the admission committee as to why you should be selected over other similarly qualified candidates.

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The Statement of Purpose should be typed in 11 point Calibri font on A4 size pages with 2 inch margins. It should not exceed 2 pages.