General Considerations for your Personal Statement

- Write in full sentences, avoid abbreviations
- Avoid repetitive sentence structure
- Avoid poetry and keep quotes to minimum
- Plain, good English
- OK to use a thesaurus (but words and phrases should sound like you)
- Write, set aside, review x10
- Ask clinical advisor, others to review a final draft
- Should supplement and compliment your CV
- Review your medical school application
- Reader should understand:
  1. Who you are
  2. How you developed an interest in specialty
  3. What are your important, relevant experiences
  4. What attributes will make you a good resident
  5. What are your professional goals