IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Master of Accounting

Personal Essays

Applicant Name ____________________________ Date ______________

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On separate sheets of paper, please respond to the following essay questions. Each essay should be typed and limited to one page in length. At the top of each page, please put your name and the essay question being answered. Your original writing is expected on all essay responses or you must cite original sources.

Your personal essays can be uploaded to your application OR emailed to busgrad@iastate.edu.

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Essay 1 (Required):

♦ Discuss your academic and career goals. How will a Master of Accounting from Iowa State University help you to reach these goals? What unique qualities and experiences would you bring to the program? Is there any other information you believe is important to our assessment of your candidacy? Please address any irregularities or special circumstances applicable to your record.

Essays 2 and 3 (Answer two of the following):

♦ Describe an ethical dilemma you have experienced. Discuss how you managed the situation.
♦ Write about a time when you experienced change. Evaluate your role and response in the process.
♦ Define diversity. Drawing upon your own definition and experience, describe the opportunities and challenges of diversity.
♦ Discuss the benefits and challenges of organizational teams. Do you consider yourself a team player?
♦ Describe the characteristics of a 21st century leader. Evaluate your own leadership potential.