

23:33	MarvelAdmissions	Are you determined to go to b school this year? If so, may want to includes some other schools other than Stanford & Tuck
23:34	a10	So, I'd take that as no.
23:34	a10	Yes, this year or bust.
23:34	xg	Male/ 3.4/ Engineering/ Pre-MBA: Fortune 100 Renewable Energy/ Post-MBA Target: Energy/ Consulting
23:34	a10	How about Kellogg and Booth r3?
23:34	xg	What are my chances at the top 7?
23:34	a10	Which schools have more spots for R3?
23:34	xg	Hehe I had to ask...
23:34	souvik101990	worth a shot xg 🤔
23:34	MarvelAdmissions	sorry, accidentally logged off
23:35	MarvelAdmissions	I missed some of the prior chat
23:35	shorttheworld	Hi Christine -- the past five years i worked as a trader on the prop desk of a family office in NYC but this past year i had the opportunity to come down and work with a former coworker on a startup in brasil doing gourmet food and wine ecommerce.. my story is to go back into doing private banking building on my trading/markets experience and using my brazil
23:35	shorttheworld	experience to focus on brazilian investors... are adcom going to see 'wow thats awesome' for entrepreneurial startup experience in an emerging economy for a year or a 'why the hell did he take this detour'
23:35	shorttheworld	spam 🤖 lol just to repeat
23:35	MarvelAdmissions	are you that guy that is considering LBS MBA or MiF?
23:35	a10	Which schools have more spots for R3?
23:35	shorttheworld	yes haha

23:35	a10	How about Kellogg and Booth r3?
23:36	MarvelAdmissions	I meant to get back to you on that, we can talk later on about that.
23:36	shorttheworld	that is one of my dilemmas 🤔 which i keep going back and forth on. i applied consortium and kellogg booth and columbia this year but im keeping LBS as a possibility -- i def like the program and the school esp because of my interest in investment management but some of the visa issues and euro situation is scary a bit 🤔
23:36	shorttheworld	sure, awesome 🤔
23:36	xg	Christine, what are my chances at the top 7 schools?
23:36	xg	Male/ 3.4/ Engineering/ Pre-MBA: Fortune 100 Renewable Energy/ Post-MBA Target: Energy/ Consulting
23:37	MarvelAdmissions	It is difficult to say which schools have more spots for Round 3.
23:37	MarvelAdmissions	you really have to make sure there's a strong fit between you and the schools you're applying to, how well the schools can support your career goals
23:38	MarvelAdmissions	Hi XG, GMAT score?
23:39	xg	I got a 600 the first time, going to re-take it in May
23:39	xg	Gunning for a 730 or so
23:39	redpringles	Christine, what's your take on the best approach to answering the question "what other schools have you applied to?" during interviews?
23:39	MarvelAdmissions	a lot of it depends on your leadership capabilities. good luck the GMAT. 730 would be great! and make sure you are clear about your career goals and can show a good fit

23:40	a10	in career essays, what percentage should be "tying your past to your career goals" and what percentage should be about why that school will help you with your career goals
23:41	MarvelAdmissions	Try to be honest, name a few other schools, but have a good reason behind how you selected the schools in terms of how they support your career goals.
23:41	MarvelAdmissions	Great question A10!
23:41	xg	Christine what do you recommend for someone that wants to try consulting and finance?
23:41	xg	Ah that is a good question a 10
23:41	xg	a10*
23:42	MarvelAdmissions	Depending on how the specific question is phrased - each school has a slightly different question. You definitely want to show that you have transferrable skills from your past to make you successful in post mba career goal
23:43	MarvelAdmissions	then if they ask why our school, you can mention specific courses, fieldwork, student clubs that support your goal. they just want to make sure you've done your research, and really want to be there
23:44	Vercules	Hi Christine, what would you advise Indian/ International aspirants who want to apply in Round3.
23:44	xg	I guess it wouldn't be a good idea to say that your having a quarter life crisis huh?
23:44	a10	anyoen can claim 'this club' this class' this prof' do you think personal reasons should be included (i.e., finance in town type of thing)
23:44	lala10	eveyrone has a quarter life crisis
23:44	lala10	lol

23:44	lala10	mine is ongoing
23:44	MarvelAdmissions	also important to discuss reason/ passion behind your career goals. So even though your career goals sound similar to other people - example - consulting, but you have unique passion that led you to want to pursue consulting
23:45	a10	to be more specific, anyone can spin it to harvard, wharton, stanford... i am not sure how to differentiate
23:45	a10	like why really wharton?
23:45	xg	Really? I thought you had it all figured out lala
23:45	lala10	never
23:45	xg	Wow
23:46	hotwheels	would have thought HBS would help ease the quarter life crisis 🤔
23:46	hotwheels	you're doing something right at least!
23:46	xg	I thought you were set with the whole super fi-nance gig
23:46	shorttheworld	ya quarter lif crises are whatsup
23:46	MarvelAdmissions	I think many schools may look similar on paper, you really have to spend time doing lots of research. talk to current students to get a good sense of the resources available.
23:46	shorttheworld	they make u move to foreign countriies and invest ur hard earned \$ into friends companies lol
23:47	xg	Haha short
23:47	a10	To be blunt, it is all BS. All schools are pretty much the same. Especially the top 7.
23:47	a10	So, research doesn't do much. They all have entrepreneurship clubs, they all have immersion, they all have good profs, they all have great alumni network. Now what.

23:47	a10	(tone: only to get to the bottom of it)
23:47	MarvelAdmissions	hahaaha, but I think each school has its own culture, and you can definitely see where you fit in best if you visit or talk to the people there
23:48	a10	I disagree.
23:48	a10	But thanks for your answer.
23:48	redpringles	haha
23:48	MarvelAdmissions	Hunter is a great example of someone who did extensive research on HBS, and I really think it made a difference.
23:48	a10	Let me tell you what made the difference. Clean Energy.
23:48	xg	Wait, how do you know Hunter?
23:49	a10	And R1
23:49	souvik101990	MarvelAdmissions what should be the ideal short term goal If I had the most recent employment pre application at somewhere like teach for America? I am inclined to education consulting. Any detail I should be looking at?
23:49	MarvelAdmissions	hahahaha!
23:49	xg	Btw...I seriously thought about becoming a SCUBA diving instructor while I was on vacation. haha
23:49	lala10	haha do it xg
23:49	shorttheworld	i definitely think all the schools have differnt cultures -- you can easily see this at a place like tuck, or if you look at the 'fratty' schools like duke ross UT austin etc
23:49	a10	I was talking about top 7
23:50	lala10	i'm going to have to agree with the culture thing
23:50	xg	My instructor was actually an ex-corporate guy that has his MBA from some school in Singapore...not INSEAD.

23:50	a10	I'll give you that on Tuck but every other city school is pretty much the same. Recruiting. This and that.
23:50	lala10	but at some point too, you kind of buy in
23:50	lala10	even if you're not 100% happy
23:50	a10	I guess what I am trying to say is "if they are gonna buy this "I fit in this culture" that is kinda really .. umm.. weak"
23:50	xg	What do you say the culture is at HBS lala?
23:51	lala10	future masters of hte universe? lol
23:51	lala10	i mean it's a huge school
23:51	lala10	so there are all different types
23:51	a10	But anyone can claim I really fit with yoru school culture, on an essay.
23:51	MarvelAdmissions	Souvik - your ? regarding ideal short-term goal. You should take some time to do informational interviews and get as much clarity as possible about your post MBA career goal.
23:51	MacFauz	The essay at yale som "What will you contribute to the Yale SOM community, and how will being part of it help you extend your professional vision?" really stumped me
23:51	a10	My goal is to find a way to differentiate myself , without doing a lot of BS.
23:51	xg	I see
23:51	lala10	well obviously. but the interviews really help, to be honest
23:51	MarvelAdmissions	it is a huge part of the evaluation, figuring out if your goals are realistic and achievable after MBA, and that you've done research on it.
23:51	MacFauz	i didn't know whether it was a "why yale" question
23:52	souvik101990	Hey MacFauz

23:52	lala10	% wise, there are a surprisingly low # of dbags, ive found
23:52	a10	Yes. Completely agree lala10 . My point was how to write the damn thing to get the interview 🙄
23:52	lala10	and the ones who are, are usually bc their parents donated a lot of \$
23:52	a10	After interview, I completely agree on the fit factor
23:52	MacFauz	i ended up speaking about some clubs that interested me ther
23:52	MacFauz	oh
23:52	MacFauz	hi souvik
23:52	lala10	what is the interview question
23:52	MacFauz	where are my manners
23:52	hotwheels	yeah i mean to a certain extent, isn't that why HBS got rid of the why MBA question altogether?
23:52	hotwheels	because they recognize it's bogus
23:52	a10	My question is how do we write about 'why mba/why this school/ career goals' essay to GET the interview
23:53	lala10	im pretty sure i kept in general
23:53	a10	exactly hotwheels
23:53	xg	Bleh, I'm not sure what culture I'd fit in with. I can kind of blend in most of the time
23:53	a10	you got my point
23:53	a10	but Wharton still asks
23:53	a10	I wouldn
23:53	lala10	but i think hbs likes to shake things up occasionally
23:53	a10	t care LESS about the culture
23:53	lala10	they hadnt changed their interview questions in years
23:53	a10	i don't know a single person who would say "Wharton? No thanks. I don't fit into culture"
23:53	a10	same for other top 7 schools
23:53	lala10	i actually do
23:53	redpringles	i do too

23:54	a10	Yea, but they have OTHER top 7 schools offers
23:54	xg	Cheetarah said no to Wharton
23:54	a10	That is the only way.
23:54	lala10	know of a few ppl who have turned down more upper ranked schools
23:54	lala10	to go to stern, etc.
23:54	redpringles	i know one colleague who went to Wharton over HBS because of he thought he fit better with Wharton
23:54	xg	Really? Stern? Hmmm
23:54	a10	All I am saying, that is a question after you have admits from multiple 7 schools. And that is a fair one.
23:54	a10	But we are just trying to get one admit here.
23:54	a10	So how to position the why X school essay - to get the interview
23:54	jumsumtak	there were a couple of people who did not go to W and accepted Yale's offer, last year (on GC)
23:54	lala10	to be fair, my friend was wharton undergrad
23:55	lala10	to your point, a10, it's all BS
23:55	lala10	so just play nice so you can get he interview
23:55	lala10	it's all a game of luck anyway
23:55	MarvelAdmissions	To answer why MBA question, just make sure you show that this is the right time, that you've been successful in your roles, and ready for the next level of challenges
23:55	a10	I know. I don't have a problem with that. I see it. I just wanna see what I can do to get the interview, in terms of career goals essay and fit within that essay
23:55	souvik101990	MacFauz manners shmanners...
23:55	souvik101990	Welcome to the Chat with Marvel Admissions Consulting - Feel free to post your questions about MBA

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		Welcome to the Chat with Marvel Admissions Consulting - Feel free to post your questions about MBA Applications
		Topic set by souvik101990 on Wed Jan 23 2013 23:55:55 GMT+0530 (India Standard Time)
23:55	MacFauz	haha
23:56	MacFauz	My question
23:56	hotwheels	i also reckon that a lot of people get the question 'wrong' and don't do their share of research
23:56	MacFauz	The "What will you contribute to the Yale SOM community, and how will being part of it help you extend your professional vision?" essay
23:56	hotwheels	so just simply checking the box may differentiate you
23:56	MarvelAdmissions	I think as long as you can show you got the skills to be successful in your short-term goal, you should be fine. for long-term goal, you want to show passion and your values
23:57	MacFauz	Is it the same as a "Why Yale" question??
23:57	MacFauz	If so, I screwed up on that one
23:58	MarvelAdmissions	Hi MacFauz - you want to show leadership and teamwork
23:58	souvik101990	MarvelAdmissions I agree about the informational interviews and getting a clearer vision about the goal. But what I really want to know is that: I do not intend to be a banker and precisely why I went onboard with Teach for India. But I would like to consider some other possibilities. Education consultant is a really cool thing and I see a LOT of consultants
23:58	souvik101990	doing great work in the edu sector in India

23:59	MarvelAdmissions	a small part of it will be about Yale, and really show you understand the culture
23:59	shorttheworld	macfauz -- talk about what clubs youll want to be involved with and how your past experience will bridge into that
23:59	a10	MarvelAdmissions: those interactive poitns of the apps (power point, youtube) - what are they lookign for? personality? fun?
23:59	souvik101990	But I would still love to see my options... for example Non Profit or Tech, both of which are incredibly attached to education
23:59	MacFauz	I liked the food and wine club and the rowing club
23:59	a10	who doesnt
00:00	MacFauz	those were pretty much the scope
00:00	a10	hey i like the blodgett pool, please accept me
00:00	MacFauz	your thoughts?
00:00	a10	as random as that
00:00	xg	Oh lala, hamm0 is in another company now. He does risk stuff for an IM shop.
00:00	lala10	food and wine club is nom nom
00:00	lala10	haha i know xg
00:00	a10	dear hbs, i have a physical therapy at blodgett so i am a super good fit
00:00	a10	xoxo
00:00	lala10	super hpapy for him
00:01	redpringles	a10: i would say one way to approach your app / essays to maximize your chance of receiving an interview invite is this: some schools have quotas of how many people to accept in different career buckets, so a school might have 25% devoted to your segment. So you need to stand out among your peers, so think about your own group and think of some things that

00:01	redpringles	are pretty unique among your group members
00:01	hotwheels	he's got a banking itch 🤔 not sure if i should help him scratch it or not
00:01	hotwheels	(hamm that is)
00:01	MarvelAdmissions	Souvik, you can leverage your background, and education consultant could be something that would be great for you to pursue, so just keep research more in those areas to see what opportunities exist
00:01	lala10	i wrote nothing that detailed
00:01	souvik101990	Do you have something in mind in particular?
00:01	lala10	in any essay about schools, i dont think
00:02	lala10	i talked about case method once
00:02	lala10	that's pretty much it
00:03	MarvelAdmissions	I would do a job search to look at job postings, and see what skills and experience are desired for the role of education consultants
00:03	souvik101990	thanks
00:04	lala10	haha as long as ppl are going eyes wide open to banking
00:04	lala10	i say go for it
00:04	xg	Christine, does being in renewable energy make me more sexy in the adcom's eyes?
00:04	MarvelAdmissions	to differentiate yourself, rather than focus on what you have done in the past, focus on your learning and results
00:05	hotwheels	do you wear a slim fit suit while renewing energy xg?
00:05	hotwheels	🤔
00:06	carcass	hi to everyone.....
00:06	MarvelAdmissions	Renewable energy has been a popular sector, and I'm seeing more applicants with that background

00:06	carcass	unfortunately there is always something that happens
00:06	carcass	😬
00:06	d3vice	Hi MarvelAdmissions : little late to the party
00:06	carcass	grrrrrrr
00:06	carcass	😬
00:06	carcass	i know
00:06	MarvelAdmissions	make sure you still demonstrate strong accomplishments
00:06	xg	I better apply soon then hehe before the field gets commoditized
00:07	d3vice	I am currently working in GE india for the last 2 years. Got an admit from TU Delft for MS in Electrical engg which is RELLY great
00:07	d3vice	I d want to do my MBA and want your opinion about that
00:07	MarvelAdmissions	yes, hot area to be in
00:07	d3vice	does 2 years @ GE and a post graduation makes me a fit profile or Do i need to get back to work again to increase work ex?
00:07	MarvelAdmissions	d2vice, depends on your career goals - short-term and long-term
00:08	MarvelAdmissions	but congrats on the admit!
00:08	xg	Christine, if I want to work abroad should I apply to INSEAD? The thing is, I want to come back to the US after a couple of years...I'm just not sure that INSEAD has a good rep over here at all.
00:09	MarvelAdmissions	2 years is fine if you can show leadership capabilities and significant achivements
00:09	bgpower	MarvelAdmissions Christine, How should I explain and differentiate myself in the eyes of the Top10 Adcoms when most of my work experience is from a family start-up, dealing with renewable energy and management systems. As managing partner I have plenty

		of experience in leading people, the company is also well-run (financially), but how do I show the Adcom
00:09	d3vice	I want to be a project manager in the energy sector and lead a project and oversee it in a macro level which I cannot do right now.
00:10	MarvelAdmissions	From my experience at London Business School, and I would say similarly at INSEAD, many top international and U.S. firms recruit at the school
00:10	bgpower	MarvelAdmissions that this is really something? I have internships with Big4 and top-tier management consulting companies, but the vast majority of my experience comes from this start-up
00:10	MarvelAdmissions	so you'll definitely have opportunity to come back to work in the U.S.
00:11	MarvelAdmissions	bgpower - sounds like great experience
00:12	bgpower	MarvelAdmissions Thanks! The problem is it's not McKinsey or Goldman Sachs
00:12	MarvelAdmissions	bgpower - make sure you have a good website, so they can read up about your family business, specific examples of accomplishments - results - #, \$\$\$\$\$, etc,
00:12	bgpower	MarvelAdmissions Or at least I guess I'll have to provide the Adcom with some nice stories? What about recommendations?
00:12	MarvelAdmissions	get recommendation letters from clients/suppliers who know you well
00:13	MarvelAdmissions	project manager in energy sector, do you see yourself leading in technical roles, or moving into business/management roles later on

00:14	bgpower	MarvelAdmissions Thanks! Can you please provide me via PM with some contact details, so that we can keep in touch!
00:14	MarvelAdmissions	BP power - email me your resume, and I'll take a look at it and give you more detailed feedback. clin@marveladmissions.com
00:14	souvik101990	see its not likely for somebody to be in technical roles in a long term vision
00:14	souvik101990	so definitely management areas
00:15	shorttheworld	*insert flood of resumes*
00:16	shorttheworld	👍
00:16	shorttheworld	hmm
00:17	MarvelAdmissions	For d3vice, MBA would open a lot of doors, and probably provide you with more opportunities if you ever want to switch career later on, and would prepare you to be a project manager post MBA & senior executive later on
00:17	thevenus	what stuffs should be discusses with the recommenders? if they have no clue about writing a strong recommendation?
00:18	MarvelAdmissions	yes, we guide our clients through the process. You want to provide your recommenders specific examples of achievements that they can speak to, and overall theme you're trying to convey
00:18	d3vice	MarvelAdmissions
00:18	d3vice	souvik101990 pretty spot on
00:18	d3vice	thans you too
00:18	d3vice	MarvelAdmissions its ok to send resumes for a consult right?
00:19	MarvelAdmissions	generally they ask recommenders about your strengths and weaknesses, leadership capabilities, etc
00:19	MarvelAdmissions	yes, please feel free to email me any questions or send your resume over -

		clin@marveladmissions.com
00:20	MarvelAdmissions	have a conversation w your recommenders to see if they would be willing to recommend you highly for the schools.
00:20	MarvelAdmissions	important first step.
00:20	shorttheworld	christine you wouldnt happen to be in NYC and going to the LBS meetup at the gansevoort next friday are you? 🍷
00:20	thevenus	how to make the essays / SOPs appealing? we dont how how competitive it is?
00:21	MarvelAdmissions	Hi, I'm based in Los Angeles, and I go to HBS southern Cali assoc events and monthly mixers w other top business schools
00:21	MarvelAdmissions	but unfortunately won't see you in NYC
00:22	shorttheworld	ahh haha okay was just wondering 🍷
00:23	MarvelAdmissions	for the essays/SOPs, try to tell stories only you can tell
00:24	MarvelAdmissions	help them really get to know you, usually the first few drafts are just scratching the surface
00:25	thevenus	should we mention the details already given in the resume? writing our story along with the figures/experience mentioned in resume ill be ok?
00:25	MarvelAdmissions	reflect on your learning, reflect on what you've done well, what has been a consistent trait (leadership, etc) that you can demonstrate w examples
00:26	MarvelAdmissions	for significant achievements, I would expect to see them both in essays and on the resume, so that is ok
00:27	MarvelAdmissions	make sure your essay emphasize learning, and how the experience impacted you, etc

00:28	thevenus	necessary to mention about work experience in banking after engineering degree? how and why? why not engineering?
00:28	shorttheworld	that will probably come up during interview venus
00:29	shorttheworld	if u get asked the question 'how has ur career path led u to an mba' essay but some schools have gotten rid of that
00:29	MarvelAdmissions	that is quite a shift, so perhaps a sentence or two if it fits into the story, but for sure will come up during interview
00:29	carcass	can I have a question?? I hear everything about HOW to ace an outstanding SOP but no one knows in concrete to say something precisely....or at least a landmark , at least to me

00:29	MarvelAdmissions	Hi Carcass
00:29	carcass	Hi Marvel A
00:29	carcass	🙄
00:29	thevenus	any justification related to the actions in past?such as career change, job shifts etc?
00:30	hotwheels	do you think scheduling a campus visit would be viewed negatively after you've already submitted?
00:30	MarvelAdmissions	Let's look at a sample SOP question - You must submit a personal statement with your application form. This should be between 1,000 and 1,500 words. It should describe your academic interests and your purpose and objectives in undertaking graduate study.
00:30	hotwheels	for instance, you'd be drawing attention to the fact that you haven't visited in other words
00:33	thevenus	oh thats great ! Thanks Marvel admissions for this initiative and

		guidance ! 🙏
00:33	MarvelAdmissions	So yes, the SOP should discuss your purpose (career goals), and academic interest (why MBA), and your achievements and skills you already possess
00:33	thevenus	I am not from USA, how to demonstrate that , how would i be helpful for the class?
00:34	MarvelAdmissions	I think it is always a good idea to visit the school campus, even if it is after you've submitted the application, but hopefully before your interview :)

00:35	MarvelAdmissions	Hi thevenus! where are you from? You can be helpful by offering your past industry experience, functional experience
00:35	MarvelAdmissions	in addition to your cultural background
00:35	MarvelAdmissions	any other professional interests or passion of yours
00:35	carcass	I visited Smith School of business last year
00:35	carcass	love at first sight
00:35	carcass	🙏
00:36	hotwheels	i'm thinking about scheduling the campus visit after i get the interview invite but before the actual interview (so that i don't tip them off that i haven't visited)
00:36	hotwheels	am i overthinking it?
00:36	carcass	I think after all the SOP should bring out yourself
00:36	MarvelAdmissions	It would be good to visit before the actual interview
00:37	hotwheels	should i just schedule it now though? or wait until i get an invite
00:37	carcass	strength points and also your weak points

00:37	shorttheworld	do business schools give any weight to candidates who have been invited to interview and who are Americans currently living abroad... say... in Brasil? 🇧🇷 I am going back for sure to interview @ Tuck next week but curious if i should try to come back to the states for other interviews when they begin to roll in vs interviewing with people down here
00:37	carcass	make sense or not ?
00:37	shorttheworld	especially if ive already visited the school but last year?
00:37	redpringles	hotwheels some schools may use whether applicants visited the campus or not to give them interview invites, but i doubt that fact has much to do with whether the offer is made or not post-interview... anyone else?
00:38	MarvelAdmissions	Hi hotwheels, really up to you. If you want to see the campus anyway, then go for it. Maybe try to talk to some current students, and see if you can connect with the in person when you visit.
00:39	hotwheels	hm redpringles, so would you recommend scheduling a visit now or after i receive an interview invite?
00:40	hotwheels	my only issue is that when you schedule a class visit for the lauder program, you e-mail the associate director of admissions directly
00:40	hotwheels	so i'd be tipping that person off and drawing attention to the fact that i haven't visited
00:40	MarvelAdmissions	Giving you're in Brasil, youc an interview locally. Though for Tuck, I think it is great that you're going to the campus.
00:40	carcass	any suggestion Marvel ?
00:40	shorttheworld	good they better 🍷 lol
00:40	shorttheworld	think so as well *

00:40	hotwheels	so wondering if it would be better to just wait until after (if i'm that lucky) receiving an interview invite before reaching out so as not to jeopardize my chances
00:40	hotwheels	but maybe i'm overthinking the whole thing...
00:41	redpringles	is there a drawback for waiting after the invite?
00:41	redpringles	maybe travel arrangement / cost?
00:41	MarvelAdmissions	People sometimes can't visit before they send in the application for various reasons, I think that is totally fine.
00:42	MarvelAdmissions	Go ahead and schedule the visit then, it shows strong interest, I would not perceive it negatively.
00:42	hotwheels	thanks guys
00:42	hotwheels	appreciate the advice
00:43	hotwheels	the only constraint with waiting is that the timing would be tight. i happen to be in philly 2 days after they start releasing interview notifications
00:43	hotwheels	so i'd only be giving them 2 days notice that i plan to visit
00:44	shorttheworld	are there certain schools that are considered reapp positive, reapp neutral, reapp not so friendly? 🤔 ive heard Tuck is a reapp positive because i t shows you really want to be there and everyone knows how big tuck is on that factor
00:44	MarvelAdmissions	yes, but you really need to show that you've improved your profile, because they read your old app and reapp side by side
00:45	redpringles	hotwheels i see. that's a tough question.. do they have open slots for official visit scheduling, or is it more informal? that may determine everything...
00:46	MarvelAdmissions	If you know the areas you had to improve on, and able to show that you worked on improving them,

		then you would have a much better chance of being admitted.
00:47	hotwheels	as far as i know, you email the associate director of admissions and they try to slot you in
00:47	hotwheels	it happens to work well though because the day i'm in philly is a thursday, which is when they have lauder class visits for prospective students
00:48	redpringles	ah ok
00:48	shorttheworld	ty 🙏
00:50	carcass	how long should be your proposal Marvel 20 pages ? is too long or it depends ?
00:50	hotwheels	thanks everyone for all the input, much appreciated
00:51	MarvelAdmissions	Hi Carcass - statement of purpose? if they don't have word limit, and it is the only "essay" they're asking you, then I would say 1000 to 1500 words should be fine.
00:52	MarvelAdmissions	hahahahahaa, definitely not 20 pages.
00:53	redpringles	i didnt do anything lol
00:53	redpringles	but i was in a somewhat similar boat
00:53	MarvelAdmissions	you want to emphasize strengths. Carcass - good point about weaknesses. whenever asked about weaknesses, make sure you mention something you've been working on, or have shown improvement in
00:53	redpringles	i visited one of my schools 2 days before the app was due
00:53	carcass	🙏 ok I count the bibliography too
00:53	redpringles	i was worried that this might indicate that i'm a procrastinator and only showing up for brownie points
00:54	hotwheels	i know that's what i'm worried about

00:54	MarvelAdmissions	I think sometimes you overanalyze things too much....but I understand, it is intense applying to business schools
00:54	carcass	basically a professor at UMD (my uncle) said is finefor this reason I asked you
00:54	hotwheels	except at least you did it before submission!
00:55	redpringles	yeah, but just as suspicious
00:55	redpringles	thankfully i dont think it made that kind of negative impression
00:55	hotwheels	hehe hopefully it resulted in an interview regardless 🤔
00:55	redpringles	things like this shouldnt really make or break an application... if you are worth an invite, you'll get it. so i hope you get one from lauder
00:56	MarvelAdmissions	Anyone else has question about R3 applications?
00:56	carcass	@Marvel Iwas talking about proposal research 20 pages
00:57	hotwheels	thanks for the kind wishes redpringles
00:57	MarvelAdmissions	Hi Carcass, got it. Yes, I think that would be fine. Sorry, I misunderstood it.
00:57	carcass	perhaps I was misunderstood
00:57	shorttheworld	nope i think all my R2s/R3s are in except for my euro programs 🤔
00:58	hotwheels	short - have you looked into the wharton/lauder program? seems like you'd be a good fit
00:58	hotwheels	given the international exp
00:58	shorttheworld	yeah wont get in my undergrad gpa is my giantslayer
00:58	MarvelAdmissions	Good luck w the proposal writing Carcass!
00:58	shorttheworld	was on my own since i was 17, neither parent graduated high

		school, 2.71 but got a 3.76 with 10 classes from NYU
00:58	shorttheworld	worked fulltime in college
00:58	shorttheworld	700 48q 38V
00:59	hotwheels	that's a great story...
00:59	shorttheworld	found ou im a quarter hispanic too this year
00:59	shorttheworld	lol
00:59	hotwheels	haha score!
00:59	shorttheworld	because my dad was adopted and never knew his parents
00:59	shorttheworld	but i did DNA test found haploid background from basque.spain blabla
00:59	MarvelAdmissions	hahahaaha, you can definitely explain the low GPA
00:59	redpringles	so what's your dream program, shorttheworld?
00:59	shorttheworld	yeah ive done that in many ways this year i think columbia just hates me lol third year ive applied and dinged
00:59	shorttheworld	booth probably
01:00	shorttheworld	i think im a better fit culturally at tuck though with all the mentoring and giving back that i do
01:00	redpringles	is the reason you applied to CBS three years in a row because you wanted to stay in NYC?
01:00	shorttheworld	i rewrote and sold my lifestory a bit better this year and applied to consortium since i ran a tenants association in harlem and mentor inner city high school kids from a program i helped start with friends
01:00	carcass	@Marvel already done. Thanks anyway 🙄
01:01	shorttheworld	haha nah just cuz i initially did it with UT austin and rice when i thought i wanted to do energy finance
01:01	shorttheworld	and then last year when i did my round before i jumped ship and came to brasil

01:02	redpringles	your story might impress the HBS adcom
01:02	shorttheworld	theyll hate my GPA lol thats why i didnt apply
01:02	redpringles	since its truly extraordinary
01:02	shorttheworld	and figured booth/tuck/kellogg will let me in before them
01:03	redpringles	but isnt HBS known to take extraordinary applicants even if some numbers aren't as high as they want?
01:03	shorttheworld	tuck told me even with my nyu 3.76 my uconn 2.71 still hurts. and my 700 would want to be brought up
01:03	shorttheworld	yeah but even tho i have an extraordinary background i dont think its as extraordinary as some others
01:03	shorttheworld	even tho my 700 is above 80th percentile for both sections 48 38
01:04	shorttheworld	ive done a lot of mentoring stuff because i was solo at 17 and didnt have guidance from fam so i relied on mentors and thus was on board of trustees subcommittee @ uconn this past year for mentoring initiatives, helped jumpstart initiatives @ the school of biz and college of lib arts
01:04	redpringles	professional achievements are one thing, but i think personal hardship counts just as much
01:04	shorttheworld	ran tenants association in harlem, blabla
01:04	shorttheworld	yeah tuck said they loved my adversity story
01:05	shorttheworld	so i smoothed it and perfected it a lot better this year
01:05	redpringles	so what was your explanation behind your UG GPA?
01:05		*** mib_02dyem is now known as igzolt

01:05	shorttheworld	being on my own at 17 and life sucking because you need to put a roof over your head and food on your plate
01:05	MarvelAdmissions	i think it is always great to see what challenges people had to overcome, it shows character, I hope things work out well for you.
01:05	MarvelAdmissions	I can see you fit in well w London Business School's MBA program as well
01:06	shorttheworld	and doing a lot of experiential learning and leadership on campus.. this year i expanded my optional essay to talk about how all the leadership involvement is what made me a great leader even tho that time could have been spent studying
01:06	shorttheworld	and that it led to me being invited as a relatively young alum member on the board of trustees (at 26 years old at the time)
01:06	redpringles	so you were working while in school?
01:07	shorttheworld	yeah i hope so, ive kind of felt that instead of LBS and the euro programs in general arent as big on the undergrad GPA
01:07	shorttheworld	or theyre more forgiving if theyve seen
01:07	shorttheworld	*you kicking ass elsewhere, yep, internships during the semester or full time on campus
01:07	MarvelAdmissions	Yes, the European schools like London Business School and INSEAD really try to get to know you as a person.
01:08	shorttheworld	damn american meritocracy
01:08	shorttheworld	lol
01:09	shorttheworld	yeah theres another event in NYC next friday for MBA and MIF programs, i went to one in DC (took the bus from NYC to get down there)

01:09	lala10	nmm sandwiches
01:09	shorttheworld	and i might stop by that one as well since the MIF alum in DC werent as pure finance oriented
01:09	MarvelAdmissions	Looks like you're a more suitable candidate for MBA, rather than MiF at London Business School
01:10	MarvelAdmissions	you'll get to take the same finance electives anyway your second yr as MBA, so you can still have a finance concentration
01:10	MarvelAdmissions	what are you hoping to do post MBA?
01:10	MarvelAdmissions	or post MiF?
01:10	shorttheworld	haha, on paper or in reality? 🍌
01:11	shorttheworld	ideally id love to do product management on the buy side
01:11	shorttheworld	or within private banking/private wealth management
01:11	MarvelAdmissions	great!
01:11	shorttheworld	basically something that leverages my markets background and my personality/leadership/initiative skills together
01:11	lala10	personality?
01:11	MarvelAdmissions	GS and others recruited heavily for private wealth management while I was at LBS, in addition to the other i-banking roles
01:11	lala10	bwahahaha
01:11	shorttheworld	silence you
01:11	shorttheworld	lol
01:12	shorttheworld	yeah i guess the shortness and intense focus of the MIF orig appealed to me some but i know stateside the MBA is an easier 'sell'
01:12	shorttheworld	and also the upcoming round for rd 3 vs rd 4 for the MIF might help on the MBA side of things
01:13	lala10	i just ate a sandwich in bed
01:13	lala10	i am a sad human being
01:13	hotwheels	better than my friend

01:13	shorttheworld	im about to down like 14 bottles of wine at work for our product testing? 🤔
01:13	hotwheels	once she came back drunk, tried to eat a sub in bed
01:13	hotwheels	fell asleep
01:13	hotwheels	and woke up with sandwich ingredients all over her bed
01:14	shorttheworld	marvel when you posted email before i was going to send my res real quick and see if you had any thoughts on the whole MIF vs MBA aspect but didnt want to flood you 🤔
01:14	smartperson_	stw returns
01:14	lala10	oh that is sadder than me
01:14	lala10	lol
01:14	shorttheworld	i was here before 🤔
01:14	lala10	i have a palte at least
01:14	MarvelAdmissions	no problem. go ahead and email your resume - clin@marveladmissions.com
01:15	shorttheworld	i like how im a mythical creature on the iternet
01:15	shorttheworld	one sec 🤔
01:16	shorttheworld	sent
01:17	lala10	i fired off some work-type emails today
01:18	lala10	that should be it i think
01:18	MarvelAdmissions	Anyone else with questions on the business school application process, please feel free to email me clin@marveladmissions.com