



UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN COLORADO

Gerontology • Human Services • Rehabilitation

College of Natural and Health Sciences
School of Human Sciences

STATEMENT OF INTEREST

REHABILITATION SCIENCES, Ph.D

Please submit a statement of interest (double spaced, no more than 12 pages) addressing the following:

- State why you are interested in pursuing a doctorate in the field of rehabilitation. Did any life experiences motivate you to seek this degree?
- What is your career history and what, if any, role did it play in your decision to pursue doctoral studies?
- What are your short-term and long-range educational and career goals? What do you hope to be doing in five years? In ten years? Beyond?
- Express your personal attitudes towards individuals with disabilities.
- Who do you envision your futures consumers to be once you graduate?
- Discuss your interest in conducting scholarly research, providing community service, and/or teaching in the field.
- Explain your exposure to the field of rehabilitation. Please talk about any coursework, volunteer activities, or fieldwork you have experienced.
- Identify your top three strengths or assets as a doctoral student. What are the primary areas in which you need to improve? We are interested, among other things, in academic, interpersonal, communication, problem-solving, planning, organizational, and work ethic skills and abilities. Do you consider yourself to be a people person? Are you creative, visionary, goal-oriented? How do you deal with stress? In short, tell us about your aptitudes as well as strengths you hope to develop.

Return your Statement of Interest to the Graduate School with the rest of your application materials.