School Submissions: University of Windsor:

Let's take a look at the University of Windsor's application.

Windsor's personal submission has 4 mandatory essay questions and 1 optional question. Applicants have 1800 characters for each question. Windsor calls this the "Personal Profile" and states it is the applicant's opportunity to articulate and explain information of a personal nature which they feel is relevant to their application.

The questions are:

1. How do you think your academic, business employment and/or professional experiences have contributed to your development as an individual and prepared you for the study of law?

2. If you have been involved in extracurricular activities (such as community service, political, religious, social or athletic, etc.), which of these experiences has been the most important to you? Why?

3. Do you believe that you have developed any special skills or interests other than your university program or work experience as previously outlined? How may these skills assist you in the pursuit of legal studies and a future legal career?

4. Why do you want to study law? Do you have a career objective other than the traditional practice of law? Please describe.

5. This question is OPTIONAL - If you feel that there are personal facts or issues, relating to your application, which you would wish the Admission Committee to be apprised of, but which have not been covered in your response to (1) through (4), you may describe these.

This question provides an opportunity to discuss concerns or issues that the evaluators should know (documentation is required); Admissions at Windsor know it is very common for applicants to switch majors, or change programs, they just need a concise explanation of the situation.

Windsor reviews your whole file holistically, looking for: work experience, community involvement, personal accomplishments, career objectives, personal considerations, adverse circumstances, and LSAT scores. In the personal submission they are looking for signs of organizational and admin skills as well as initiative; potential for success in law studies, social skills, someone who can relate to people, and a well-developed and focused career plan (how and where your legal education will be employed) based on your sound perception of your own capabilities, leadership & writing skills. They want you to identify experiences & accomplishments and identify how they relate to the admission criteria; choose experiences that show dedication to self-improvement, involvement in community and service to others - work, cultural, sporting and academic, and a commitment to excellence.