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# Get Accepted to Harvard Business School

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## HOW TO SHOW YOU BELONG AT HARVARD BUSINESS SCHOOL: A 4-PART FRAMEWORK

### The basics

**How can you show you have the intellectual chops to succeed at HBS?**

- A.
- B.

**How can you mitigate lower-than-average grades?**

- A.
- B.
- C.

**What resources should you access if you aren't sure whether to retake the GMAT or GRE?**

### What is Part 2 of the framework?

**Why are clear goals important?**

- A.
- B.

**What are your intended post-MBA aspirations?**



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**What are two key elements of a clear, succinct post-MBA goal?**

- A.
- B.

What is Part 3 of the framework?

**What is the HBS Mission?**

**What are three key elements Harvard is looking for in applicants?**

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

**How can you show the qualities that HBS is looking for?**

<b>Habit of Leadership</b>	
<b>Analytical Aptitude and Appetite</b>	
<b>Engaged Community Citizenship</b>	



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**How can you go beyond platitudes to show you share the key values Harvard is looking for? How can you show that you truly “fit”?**

- A.
- B.
- C.
- D.
- E.

**What are two pitfalls to avoid?**

- A.
- B.

What is Part 4 of the framework?

**When have you made a difference in the past?**

**How can you show your ability to contribute in the future?**

**How can you present your work experience so that you reveal your ability to contribute?**

- A.
- B.



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## TACTICS FOR SPECIFIC APPLICATION COMPONENTS

### Resume/job history

**What are some key pieces of advice for writing your resume or compiling your job history?**

- A.
- B.
- C.
- D.

**How should the job history be different from the resume?**

**What is the significance of the activities section?**

- A.
- B.

### The essay

**Harvard's essay: As we review your application, what more would you like us to know as we consider your candidacy for the Harvard Business School MBA program?**

**What is the key question you need to answer when you respond to this prompt?**



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**Possible topics for this essay:**

- A.
- B.
- C.
- D.
- E.

**Pitfalls to avoid:**

- A.
- B.
- C.

**Topics you want to consider for this essay:**

Additional information

**What is this section for? Who should answer it and in which situations?**

- A.
- B.
- C.



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## Interview

**What is the purpose of the interview?**

- A.
- B.

**How should you prepare?**

- A.
- B.
- C.

## Interview reflections

**What could you include in your interview reflections?**

- A.
- B.
- C.

**What is the format of the interview reflections – an essay or an email?**

**What is the best way to present yourself in your application?**



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