

Boston University School of Management

Essay Topics for MS in Mathematical Finance (MSMF) Applicants

Boston University School of Management prepares innovative and ethical leaders who understand the impact of business on society and who seek to create value for the world. We look forward to learning more about how you align with our vision through your essay responses.

All applicants are required to answer the following question. Please be sure to **clearly** label each section with the question at the top. Essays must be formatted in 10-point font or larger using double-spacing.

- 1. Describe your decision to pursue an MSMF degree, highlighting the following:
 - a. Why are you choosing to pursue a mathematical finance degree over a more general finance degree? (up to 250 words)
 - b. What steps have you taken to ensure that Boston University School of Management is right for your studies? (up to 250 words)
 - c. What are your immediate post-graduation career plans, and how do they fit into your

longer term professional goals? (up to 250 words)

OPTIONAL ESSAY: If you have additional information to bring to the attention of the Admissions Committee, you may address it in an optional essay of **no more than 250 words**. Acceptable topics for the optional essay include gaps in post-college work experience, choice of recommenders, and academic/test performance issues. If you plan to retake any admissions tests (GMAT or GRE; TOEFL, IELTS or PTE) please provide the date of your scheduled test here.