

# Tips on the two essays

Make them personal to you!

# Research Proposal

- Organize it into sections (Title, Introduction, Objectives, Methods, Expected Results, Timeline)
- Include a figure that helps the reviewer understand the goals.
- Motivate the problem and describe:
  - The impact on others
  - The impact on you

# Personal Statement

- Describe your previous research:
  - What was the goal and potential impact of the project
  - How long did you work on it
  - What skills did you learn
  - What were your major results
  - How was the work disseminated
- Describe your outreach:
  - Describe what **you** did
  - Describe the impact it had on you and others
  - Emphasize leadership
  - Emphasize outreach related to science/research