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## TEACHING WRITING A STATEMENT OF PURPOSE THE STUDENTS OF HIGHER SCHOOL.

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*The present article deals with the problem of teaching writing a Statement of Purpose the bachelor students of higher technical educational establishments. The experience of the scientists in teaching writing is analyzed. The notion 'Statement of Purpose' is determined. The structure and stages of creating a good Statement of Purpose are suggested.*

**Problem statement.** Nowadays the bachelor students of higher school in Ukraine face the urgent problem of further education in a foreign country. The greatest difficulty for them is to write a winning Statement of Purpose in order to get Master's degree at one of the universities abroad.

**Research and published works analysis.** The results of scientific research and published works analysis prove that the task of teaching writing a Statement of Purpose the students of higher school is not an easy one even for the university professors throughout the world. Ukrainian English teachers and professors faced this problem not so long ago, so they do not have enough experience in this field.

**The aim** of the present article is to draw the attention of English teachers to the necessity of teaching students how to write a Statement of Purpose and to present some useful recommendations.

**Main research results.** Rapid development of science and technology and the world economy globalization make it urgent to change approaches and methods of teaching the English language in technical universities. The necessity of mastering English as a means of communication and instrument of gaining information is growing throughout the system of education in our country. The number of students who want to get up-to-date education abroad, become demanded specialists and achieve success is steadily increasing. But they face the problem of writing the Statement of Purpose (SOP) required by grad schools. A Statement of Purpose may also be called an Application Essay, Objectives for Graduate Study, Personal Background, etc. It should present the applicant, his personal qualities and qualifications, his strengths and weaknesses, experience and skills, motivations and aspirations. To write such a document students need both profound knowledge of English and good writing communication skills.

In the course of the English language for Specific Purposes students acquire skills of writing essays, articles and theses to get ready for their further scientific work. However, the Statement of Purpose becomes the hardest thing they have ever written. To teach writing this sort of documents, first of all, students should be explained that SOP is a letter that defines their reasons to go for grad school, their

