

U of T Rotman Commerce - Application Template

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Overview

#	Format	Preparation	Response Time	Length
1	Agree to Terms	n/a	n/a	n/a
2	Optional family status	n/a	n/a	n/a
3	Set - Written	n/a	20 m	200 words
4	Set - Video	60 seconds	60 seconds	n/a
5	Random - Written	n/a	20 m	200 words
6	Random - Video	60 seconds	60 seconds	n/a

Question 3: Activities (Set Written Response, 200 words, 20 mins)

Please list two activities or experiences on which you spent a considerable amount of time outside of class. Focus on activities, pursuits, or life events from the last four years. These can include, but are not limited to, employment (paid or unpaid), supporting family members, overcoming significant adversity, research activities, volunteer experiences within your community, clubs, societies and hobbies.

Provide the following information: (1) Briefly describe the activity or experience, (2) State how long this activity or experience took place (months or years) (3) Demonstrate how you grew through this experience, and if applicable, list any achievements, awards, or leadership positions that you consider noteworthy.

Use approximately 100 words for each example (200 words total). You will have 20 minutes to respond to this question.

Activity 1 - Background (~45 words)

Briefly describe the activity/organization and your role. State when you did this activity (start date and duration), as well as the commitment level (e.g. 10 hours per week) and why you joined.

Activity 1 - Noteworthy Outcome (~55 words)

Briefly describe what you achieved in this activity. Use quantifiable outcomes (like money raised, hours spent, etc.). Focus on skills you built (like leadership), as well as the impact this activity has had on you and what you learned.

Activity 2 - Background (~45 words)

Briefly describe the activity/organization and your role. State when you did this activity (start date and duration), as well as the commitment level (e.g. 10 hours per week) and why you joined.

Activity 2 - Noteworthy Outcome (~55 words)

Briefly describe what you achieved in this activity. Use quantifiable outcomes (like money raised, hours spent, etc.). Focus on skills you built (like leadership), as well as the impact this activity has had on you and what you learned.

Question 4: Introduce Yourself (Set Video Response - 60 seconds to prepare, 60 seconds to respond)

For this question,

- Briefly introduce yourself,
- describe why you are interested in pursuing a BCom degree at Rotman Commerce; and,
- what you have done to develop your interest in business. You should spend most of your allotted time answering Parts 2 and 3 of this question.

You will have 60 seconds to prepare, and 60 seconds to record your answer.

Introduce Yourself (~10 seconds) Briefly introduce yourself. Be very concise and highlight strategic details you want U of T to know.
Why You're Interested In Pursuing BCom At Rotman (~20 seconds) Briefly highlight a unique passion of yours and why.
A Unique Perspective You'll Bring to U of T (~30 seconds) Briefly share where your unique perspective or experience came from and why it will benefit the U of T community

Question 5: Random Written Question (200 words, 20 mins)

Example Question:

Choose one of the activities or experiences that you described in Question 3. Describe one skill that you learned through this activity and how you will continue to develop this skill. Provide your answer in well-structured paragraphs with specific details and examples.

Hook (~15 words) Start with a curiosity-inducing event or captivating experience that makes the audience want to keep reading.
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Context (~20 words) The setting is established and we get the basic information: Who, What, When, Where, and Why?
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Catalyst (~45 words) A specific event or problem arises, causing challenges for the main character (you). The climax of the story is usually within the Catalyst.
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Outcome (~60 words) This section showcases the result of your actions and the impact they had.
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Learning (~60 words) This is the moral of the story, where you what you learned and how it has impacted their life going forward.

Question 6: Random Video Response (60 seconds to prepare, 60 seconds to respond)

Example Question:

Describe a situation or experience where you were able to reach a consensus or agreement between two opposing sides or opinions.

60 seconds to prepare, 60 seconds to record your answer

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Part 2: Context (10 seconds) The setting is established and we get the basic information: Who, What, When, Where, and Why?
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Part 3: Catalyst (20 seconds) A specific event or problem arises, causing challenges for the main character (you). The climax of the story is usually within the Catalyst.
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Part 4: Outcome (20 seconds) This section showcases the result of your actions and the impact they had.
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