WHO: This application is for students who are applying to our junior-level elementary and secondary programs and are currently attending universities/colleges outside of the University of Michigan (Ann Arbor.) Students will engage in various internship field placements while simultaneously completing rigorous courses led by expert faculty in a cohort setting.

**Elementary Program:** Four semesters of coursework and fieldwork typically beginning in the fall term of a student's junior year.

**Secondary Program:** Three semesters of coursework and fieldwork typically beginning in the winter term of a student's junior year.

*Secondary candidates applying for winter term admission must submit completed applications by October 1, 2015.*

**Step 1:** MEET US Visit [http://www.booknow.so/umsoe](http://www.booknow.so/umsoe) to make an appointment.

**Step 2:** REQUIREMENTS

Before beginning the online application, prepare the materials you will need for submission.

- Current resume outlining work and volunteer experiences, particularly with young people.
- Application Essays (*outlined on next page*)
- Two Letters of Recommendation (*outlined on next page*)
- Official copies of all transcripts (college, university, and high school)
- Official ACT or SAT scores (UM code 1839) *if applicable*
- Non-native speakers of English need to submit TOEFL, MELAB or IELTS scores

**Step 3:** BEGIN THE APPLICATION [http://commonapp.org/](http://commonapp.org/)

*Please make sure to have your essays completed and saved prior to beginning the online application.*

- Essays are submitted directly through the online application.
- Please provide your recommendors with this form: [http://www.soe.umich.edu/file/ug_lor/](http://www.soe.umich.edu/file/ug_lor/)

Letter writer will then submit the form and their letter directly to te.program@umich.edu.

- In order for your application to be considered complete and ready for faculty review all components must be received including the letters of recommendation.

**Application Material(s) Support**

- Questions about the programs we offer? Want to discuss which one might be the best fit for you?
- Need suggestions about who to ask as a recommendor? Or perhaps what components should be highlighted in your essays?

**Application Submission Support**

- Issues with the online application?
- Want to verify if we’ve received a Letter of Recommendation?

**Contact Katie Dauka | kdauka@umich.edu | Assistant Director for Recruitment and Admissions 734.647.0581**

**Contact Jake Fox-Long | foxlongj@umich.edu | Undergraduate Admissions Coordinator 734.615.0496**
### REQUIRED ESSAYS

**Common Application Short Essays (Required for both EL and SEC)**

**Essay #1:** Everyone belongs to many different communities and/or groups defined by (among other things) shared geography, religion, ethnicity, income, cuisine, interest, race, ideology, or intellectual heritage. Choose one of the communities to which you belong, and describe that community and your place within it. (Approximately 250 words.)

**Essay #2:** Describe the unique qualities that attract you to the specific undergraduate College or School to which you are applying at the University of Michigan. How would that curriculum support your interests? (500 words maximum.)

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