

List of Verbs to use in a Graduate School Essay

achieve
allow
analyze
announce
appeal
apply
assemble
assess
assist
balance
become
begin
believe
belong
bring
change
choose
clarify
coach
combine
compare
compose
conclude
connect
constitute
contain
contrast
coordinate
creates
decide
define
demonstrate
depend
design
develop
diagnose
differ
direct
discuss
distinguish
educate
elevate
engage
ensure
entail
envision
equal
establish
evaluate
excel
exemplify
exhibit
experiment
explain
extend
find
focus
form
give
help
identify
illuminate
illustrate
implement
include
indicate
inform
inspire
instruct
intend
introduce
invent
invest
investigate
involve
know

lack
lead
learn
maintain
make
manage
modify
motivate
move
negotiate
need
observe
occur
offer
operate
organize
perform
plan
portray
prepare
prevent
produce
prohibit
promote
provide
pursue
realize
receive
recognize
refine
reflect
rely
remain
remind
report
research
restore
result
return
require
reveal
review
sample
search
send
show
signal
specify
start
state
suggest
support
survey
synthesize
taught
teach
tend
test
translate
try
understand
use
validate
verify
wish
work
write
wrote

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