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## WHY:

- Identified need for proofreading and editing assistance
- Librarian with writing and desktop publication experience and interest in clear, grammatically correct writing

## WHO:

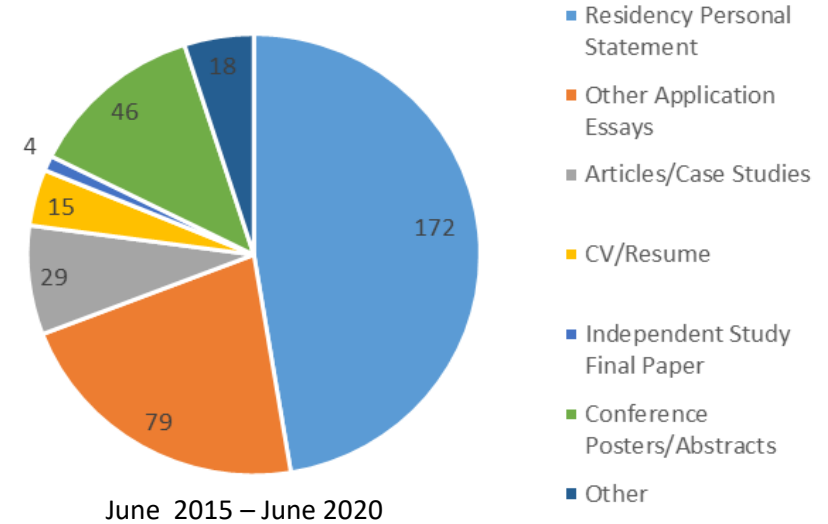
- Students, staff and faculty of Rowan University School of Osteopathic Medicine and the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences

## HOW:

- Promotion
  - Flyer and online announcements
  - Collaboration with Center for Teaching and Learning
  - “Word of Mouth” among students
- Submissions
  - Via e-mail
  - Revised using “Track Changes”
  - “Marked up” and “final” versions sent to author
  - Final editorial decisions remain the author’s
- Turnaround time dependent on demand

## RESPONSE:

- Popular, especially with students applying for residency
- Anticipate continuing this service



## SELECTED FEEDBACK

- ☆ *I can't thank you enough! This is amazing. I really appreciate you taking so much time to go through the article with a "fine-tooth comb".*
- ☆ *I am glad I was able to find you to edit it before I submitted it.*
- ☆ *I think I can speak on behalf of all the students when I say that we are so grateful. We all talk about how great of a help you are and what an asset you are to this University.*
- ☆ *I am so grateful that we have you in our corner helping us achieve our dreams.*
- ☆ *The flow of the essay sounds so much better, and I really like the changes.*
- ☆ *Not only did you get it back to me in record time, your additions and suggestions are impeccable and unbeatable.*
- ☆ *I truly appreciate your time and effort in editing my Personal Statement. English is my second language, therefore writing and expressing things correctly has always been a big challenge for me.*



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