

Research Statement Worksheet

1. Is your statement generally understandable to a non-expert?
2. Is your math placed within the broader context of your field? Do you mention the mathematicians or other fields that work is related to?
3. Does your statement give a sense of your program (or what defines you as a mathematician)?
4. Does your statement use sentences that are understandable independently of the math?
5. Are there any definitions, etc. you can avoid?
6. Does the statement explain the idea of each theorem, in addition to the technical statements?
7. Is your statement scannable? What would someone get if they looked at it for one minute?
8. Are there opportunities for helpful pictures?
9. Would you enjoy reading this statement?