# Sample R15 Biographical Sketch Personal Statement

This is an example of an excerpt from a Personal Statement in the Biographical Sketch that addresses the R15-specific instructions, “The PD(s)/PI(s) should include a summary of his or her previous and/or current experience supervising undergraduate and/or graduate students in research in the Personal Statement.”

In the rest of the Biographical Sketch, applicants should address all of the Biographical Sketch instructions in the Application Guide and the Funding Opportunity Announcement, including “The PD(s)/PI(s) should indicate which peer-reviewed publications or other research products involved undergraduate and/or graduate students under his or her supervision.”

This sample should be used in conjunction with the NIH-wide [Biographical Sketch sample](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms/biosketch-sample.docx).

**A. Personal Statement**

**R15-specific information:**

I have supervised eighteen undergraduate research students in my past, all of whom have completed their bachelor’s degrees, including 3 who have successfully gone on to complete their Ph.D. program, and an additional two students who have been awarded the prestigious National Science Award and the Alar College Research Award.  In the past, undergraduate students have been very active in all aspects of my research program and I intend to continue this during this proposed research program. I have published two papers so far at University X with student authors and three more are in preparation or submitted. In addition, where indicated, students have contributed to the preliminary data supporting this application.