

## The instructions for applying to grad school – 8.31.22

1. What are your top targeted schools and why?
2. What are the top 2 or 3 professors that you would intend to work with at these institutions?
3. What is the title of these professors, remember that a professor without tenure has the possibility of not getting tenure. This means you would end up with a Master's or going to another institution. I would recommend joining a group that is directed by an Associate or Full Professor.
4. What publications have you read that are written by the professors?
5. Have you emailed these professors with an email detailing that you are passionate about their research and asking them if you can attend a group meeting?
6. Attend group meetings at your targeted institution, talk to the students alone if possible, at group meetings observe the social dynamics between students and between the professor. Meet with the professor alone, express your gratitude ask if he/she has funding for more students and would recommend that you apply.
7. Apply and potentially follow up with the professor.