Personal Statement Inventory

For each item listed per category on your Personal Inventory, answer the following questions.

PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS OR SKILLS:
- What personal characteristics or skills do you possess that distinguish you from others you know?
- How did you develop this attribute?
- What makes you unique different than other applicants?

CAREER INTERESTS / RELATED ACTIVITIES
- When did you become interested in this career direction?
- How has this interest developed or evolved?
- What activities have you done to prepare for this career path?
- When did you become certain this is what you wanted to do?

ACADEMIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS
- What are two or three academic accomplishments?
- How have they prepared you for this career path?

RESEARCH / PAPERS / PUBLICATIONS
- What research have you conducted?
- What did you learn from it?
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**IMPORTANT LIFE EVENTS**
- Why do I remember this particular event?
- Did it change me as a person? How did I react?
- Was the event a moment of epiphany?

**INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE**
- Why have I named this person?
- Do I aspire to become like this person?
- Which of this person’s traits do I admire?
- Is there something that this person has said that I will always remember?
- Did he or she challenge my views? About what?

**FAILURES / OBSTACLES**
- What, if anything, did I learn from this failure?
- What, if anything, good came out of this failure?

**ACTIVITIES / ORGANIZATIONS**
- What made me join this activity?
- What made me continue to contribute to it?
- What leadership skills did this activity help me develop?