Please prepare two essays using the following guidelines. Be sure to address the issues/questions outlined below in your essays.

**Statement of Purpose (1200 words max)**

**Background and Career Goals**

Describe experiences in your nursing career that have contributed to your interest in pursuing a practice doctorate degree.

- Specify outcomes you wish to gain from the DNP education
- How will the DNP program at UCI help you reach your career goals?

**Health Equity and Diversity**

Describe experiences you have had that demonstrate your commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion.

- How will your nursing practice contribute to social or cultural diversity? This strategy can relate to health care provision, health promotion, workforce development, community collaboration, education or another area.

**Personal History (1200 words max)**

**Coping with Challenge**

Describe a major challenge or experience you have encountered in your life and write a brief description of how you handled it.

- Address the barriers you experienced while coping with the challenge
- Discuss lessons learned from the experience

**Anticipating Life Change**

Describe your personal characteristics that will contribute to successful completion of the DNP degree

- What issues do you anticipate as you transition to doctoral study?
- What is your plan to manage these issues?