Personal Statement for Admission Application

Personal Statement: Social Work is a profession concerned with individual growth and social change; it is important to the Admission Committee, in assessing your application, to have written comments on several issues. Since your personal statement will be used to assess your readiness for undergraduate social work education, care should be taken in its preparation. Your personal statement should fully inform us about your view of yourself as a quality candidate for professional education.

In view of the importance of this section, please answer the following questions. Please type and double space; your answers to each question should be at least one page in length or more.

1. Please describe how your college (academic and social) and life experiences have influenced your decision to pursue social work as a career.
   
   **A.** Additionally, how do your own identities (eg. race gender, social class, etc.) affect those experiences and the decision to pursue social work?

2. What social issues are of particular interest to you and how do they relate to socio-cultural background?
   
   **A.** In what ways have you attempted to act upon your concerns regarding these issues and how did others respond?
   **B.** How does this interest influence your career goals?

3. Describe your personal as well as academic strengths that you believe will help you in working successfully with clients, groups or agencies.

4. Describe areas of improvement that need to be addressed and resolved in order for you to be successful with clients.