Professional Goals Statement

Please write a 2-3 page double-spaced description of your goals for PhD study. Address the following points in your comments:

1. What is your motivation for seeking a doctoral degree in nursing at this time?

2. Discuss your career goals and how an earned doctorate will help you to achieve them.

3. Why did you choose to apply to the doctoral program in nursing at Wayne State University?

4. Identify the specific area/topic of interest to you and describe how it fits with one or more of the College of Nursing's stated purposes of the doctoral program:
   - To prepare scientists capable of generating rigorously tested knowledge that contributes to the positive development of individuals, families, communities, society and the discipline of nursing.
   - To prepare nursing scholars who will test, generate and extend knowledge related to individuals', families', and communities' self-care and caregiving behaviors; and to extend knowledge of urban environments that influence and alter health, and reduce health disparities.
   - To prepare leaders for the discipline and profession of nursing.

5. Every applicant is encouraged to identify potential mentors among the College of Nursing (CON) faculty. Please identify at least two faculty members whose research area might match your general research area/topic. Faculty research interest areas are found at [http://www.nursing.wayne.edu/aboutus/faculty.htm](http://www.nursing.wayne.edu/aboutus/faculty.htm) and [http://www.nursing.wayne.edu/research/chf_faculty.htm](http://www.nursing.wayne.edu/research/chf_faculty.htm).