

## **Assignment 1 – Personal essay**

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### **“Introduction to Myself”**

My Name is Diana Carolina Hernández Ríos, I am 32 and I’m Colombian. I grew up in Bogotá within a beautiful family; they are the most important gift in my life. I have a lot of nice memories of mi childhood; I would like to share some, like when I was 5, I use to sit next to my grandfather and we would listen to music and sing together, then was when my deep love for music started, particularly, my current passion to play the guitar, which is my actual hobby these days.

I am a professional in government and foreign affairs and I work at the Colombian Institute of Family Welfare (ICBF, Instituto Colombiano de Bienestar Familiar) a public entity that works for children’s and their family’s rights. That is a strict job because it demands a lot of time and great commitment. Therefore, I have truly little spare time where I spend it playing my guitar and sleeping!

My interest in economics started by my experience in public policy design, implementation, and evaluation processes. Despite of my weakness in math and basic statistics, (I hate equations), I really enjoy this subject and I found causal inference an exciting challenge for my professional life.

This thought takes me to the final point: The Future: For the short term, I would like to get my master's degree in economics of public policy. For the mid-term, I see my self getting an Official Position at United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund - Unicef. Finally, in the long-term, it is hard to tell how and where I will be, but I hope my life is going to be modest and sincerely happy.