**UF**

In a concise narrative, describe your notion of 'the good life'. How will your undergraduate experience at the University of Florida prepare you to live 'the good life'? (400-500)

On a tropical beach somewhere in some exotic country, sipping on my pina colada and watching the sunset, I think to myself, what is the good life? And I think hey, I have the good life, I still have millions of dollars from winning the lottery, I have a beautiful wife who loves me, and I am living in a tropical paradise, never cold, never in pain. Except I don’t think that; I would never think that; No human would ever think that. This is because happiness is based on relativity. Life needs to be a roller coaster; you need the lows to feel the highs, and in return, the highs to feel the lows. For the highs to feel higher, most people think drugs will get you to a higher, happier state, but from my experience, you need a Job that pushes you to achieve more financially. This is a job that when you work hard, you are gratified with a higher position or a raise. This is a job which lets you have an increasing large impact on other people. This is a job that you could spend the rest of your life doing because you love every day of it. Not any job can do this. A job of this nature has to align with your skills, but more importantly with your passion. This is why you often find unhappy people in jobs that match their education, rather than their love for doing something. For example, a high school student, working at Publix who has a passion for computers, and spends most of his money on computer equipment, should be working at a computer shop, but he doesn’t have the education requirements, and therefore is obviously going to be unhappy. I should know, because that’s actually an hour of my life that I so earnestly hated every minute of. This is one instance where my job was unaligned with my intelligence and my passion. However this is where I hope UF will help me. Yes I want UF to land me a job that I love, in an indirect or direct way. I know UF can provide me with a reputable degree, because it is ranked among the best state colleges in the United States. With over 1000 clubs, UF obviously can also provide me with a group of people whose connections I can use throughout the entirety of my life for both social and economic reasons. But most importantly is that I know that UF will provide me with programs such as the Formula SAE, which captivate me with the design aspect of it, but will also provide me with work experience which will further enhance my career. All of this to land a job may sound silly, but not to me, because I know that with UF I can land that job that I will spend the rest of my good life enjoying.