**1. Describe your ideal job in one or two paragraphs as though you're talking with an industry professional. They're familiar with the business and with the culture, they know the jargon and the buzzwords. Focus on the skills, tools, and / or industry you hope to deeply specialize in.**

My ideal job position would be a challenging data analyst position in which I regularly engage in statistical methods for research. The ideal position would have a few components:

* Statistical Methods – I would hope to advance my knowledge and vocabulary of various technical statistical approaches. I would hope to think about statistics every day. I want to know the insides and outs of all things data – from panel data, linear algebra, probability, experimental methods, etc.
* Management Opportunities – I would hope to have opportunities to lead and evaluate various programs. I believe I work well with people and would hope to eventually hire and/or work with teams.
* Travel – As a person who has lived abroad, has a minor in African studies, and is very interested in African politics; I would hope to have opportunities to travel to the developing world to evaluate various programming. I am nearly fluent in Swahili and French so this can be an asset in this area.
* Data Programming – I love working with SQL, Python and R – I would hope to regularly engage these programs and advance my vocabulary in these languages. I really learning about new packages or modules in these programs. In particular I hope to learn some machine learning methods.

**2. Describe your ideal job in one or two paragraphs as though you're talking with a non-technical family member or friend. Avoid jargon and keep things simple while remaining specific. If you went deep in your specialization above, emphasize here the breadth of skills and work.**

My ideal position is one that wraps up my life experiences. I want to use rigorous statistical methods while also engaging with the development world. I want to be that person who can answer interesting questions and tell stories with data where no one is telling stories. I also really hope I can contribute to the development of a tech culture in East Africa. I want to say that I’ve used tech for good.

**3. Synthesize the two exercises above into a short aspirational "professional summary" that might be appropriate on your LinkedIn profile, resume, or portfolio in the future.**

I am a social researcher and data consultant who is passionate about data, programming and statistics, and particularly how these things can benefit by improving services and policies. I have spent over 5 years in the humanitarian field in developing countries and care deeply about creating a more just world. I hold graduate degrees in economic development and African Affairs. I write Python, SQL and R. I speak French and Swahili