Diagnostic Essay-Week 1

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1. Explain your top three goals for yourself for the next five years. In this essay, be sure to explain how Passaic County Community College factors in as a way to achieve one or more of these specific goals.

In the next 5 years, my goals are to have earned my Bachelor’s degree in Science, find work in the field of Bioengineering, and have profitable assets. PCCC factors into my goals in a major way for economic reasons. I’ve heard throughout my time here that it is a well-funded college that offers a lot of financial support to its students. I would imagine so, especially since it utilizes Open Education Resources(OER) as much as it does. Furthermore, I am familiar with the resources that are being used in OER. For example, I’ve dabbled in sites that are akin to Study.com, a site I had to login into in my Economics I class throughout the summer semester. I learned to code on my own, or rather, from sites like Coursera or Kahn Academy; the latter being a site that was used in my math class. Moving on, it’s more than the economic factors that led to my enrollment here. PCCC is a state-supported school that is well connected to bigger universities like Rutgers. As an adult student, the programs at PCCC are ideal for being brought up to speed on the basics that I’ve forgotten over the years instead of going straight to a big university where I’d sink or swim. I could have gone to a large university instead, but I felt like this was the safer bet, economically.