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**Instructions:** Find a comfortable place and reflect on how you would like to direct your life after college. Fill-out the table below by writing your targets for your career and vocation. List down as many targets as you plan to achieve.

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|  | SMART Goals | Strategies | Resources Needed | Expected Results |
| CAREER | | | | |
| *1 year after graduation* | Get hired as a junior software developer in a company that works on machine learning or artificial intelligence (AI). | Begin applying to as many positions as possible. Practice answering interview questions and technical assessments. | Time  Computer  Internet  Money | Successfully get hired by an AI company and begin working. |
| *5 years after graduation* | Acquire enough experience to be considered a senior developer and get promoted as a team lead . | Continue to work in the company, taking as much roles as possible and take certification courses to get new skills. | Time  Computer  Internet  Money | Get promoted as team lead. |
| *10 years after graduation* | Either maintain a senior dev position or get even higher as a principal developer. | Maintain my work and get more and more experience as a developer. Acquire even more certifications and learn what it takes to earn my new role. | Time  Computer  Internet  Money | Stay as a senior dev or team lead or get promoted as a principal dev. |
| VOCATION | | | | |
| *1 year after graduation* | Focus on establishing and developing my career, continue to cherish my friends and family. Maybe have and maintain a romantic relationship when I get a chance. | Work on my necessary skills, organize my time to accommodate my family, friends, and my career. Put myself out there, try to date. | Time  Money | Get a job. Maintain good relationships with friends and family. Be in a romantic relationship. |
| *5 years after graduation* | Maintain my relationships, work up in my career. | Continue to dedicate time to all aspects of my life. Learn how to manage emotional situations. Continue to experience and learn from life events. | Time  Money | Maintain my career and personal relationships. |
| *10 years after graduation* | Maintain my relationships, work up in my career, start a family. | Maintain all my life aspects by still investing time into them. Learn my role in my own family, learn to mature to handle my new responsibilities. | Time  Money | Maintain my career and personal relationships and my new family. |

***Guidelines in setting SMART goals:***

* *Be specific. Include the smallest details.*
* *Make your goals measurable. How do you know that you have reached your target?*
* *Think of what is attainable and be realistic. Aim high, dream big, but don’t frustrate yourself by reaching for impossible targets.*
* *Make your goals time bound. Don’t give yourself a forever moving deadline. What can you achieve in a year? In 5 years? In 10 years?*

**After accomplishing the table above, answer the questions below for your reflection:**

1. What do you need to do now to prepare yourself and achieve what you imagine as your career and vocation?

Plan and execute a routine to help make learning things/responsibilities and getting used to them easier. I need to really stop and dedicate time to changing my bad habits, especially procrastination and my shyness in some situations by learning about the causes of my problems and practicing the techniques needed to overcome my problems.

1. Do the Benildean Expression (BenEx) of the Lasallian Core Values fit into your career and vocation plans? How? If not, why not?

Yes, they do. The definitions of the BenEx’s coincide with my goals for my future and act as guiding principles and values that help me achieve my plans in the way I want to. The expressions “professionally excellent” and “with integrity” are key expressions for my own plans for my career and vocation because they make me aspire to perform well in my career while using ethical means like sticking to hard work and dedication.