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On a separate sheet discuss your academic interests and goals. Include your current research interests as well as your long range research, teaching, or other professional objectives. List and describe published articles or books, research, inventions, or other creative work.

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