## Ed.D. Admissions – Personal Statement of Goals

The statement should be no more than 1,000 words, typed and double-spaced. Please note that the selection committee will carefully consider both the content and the writing in its assessment of your candidacy for graduate study at the West College of Education.

Background (Include your academic background and work experiences.)

- What key experiences have contributed to your commitment to education and communities?
- What do you view as your most significant professional accomplishment(s) and your most significant professional failure(s) to date? How did they mold you into the person you are today?
- Explain your academic background (undergraduate and graduate education).

Future Plans and Goals

- What issues would you like to tackle in your career as a leader in education?
- How do you envision yourself effecting significant change in education and communities?
- What motivates you to reach your lifelong goals?

**Research Activities and Interests** 

- What are your areas of research interest?
- Why are these areas of interest to you?
- How do you define the use of data-based decision-making in schools?

## Organizations

- Describe current organizations for which you have membership.
- Identify key roles you play in the various organizations.

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