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Essay

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ME

Who am I? I often stare at the mirror and ask myself. This question is so simple and yet too complex to answer. Maybe that's why, I am made to write a three page long essay about it. So I decided to flip through the pages of my memo book to find out about the life I had lived so far, and ended up getting a bit nostalgic.

On the very first page was a picture of a newly born dated 12th of February 1997, and yes, that picture was of me. Some nearly 17 years ago, I was born in Kathmandu, Nepal. Time goes by too quickly. Today, when I look back, I realize that my school days have passed by. And here I am starting a totally new life in a different place at North Seattle Community College. I am working on my associate degree in business and then to transfer to a four year University. I recall how I always told my friends that I had interest in business, but actually deciding to major in the field of business was way too different, and it wasn't easy. It's a decision about my career, a path that I choose to stick with for the remaining years of my life. On top of that my parents always wanted me to go to a medical school. Their desire for me was obvious, as I am their only child, and they wished that I have a secure future (considering medical a secure field).

But I was a rebel; I was in love with the fact of business, stocks, market since 9th grade! I still remember I would create a whole proposal of how my housing project would look like, how I would get investors to invest, and how I would introduce new innovations through it!

Back then the idea was limited just on to a piece of paper, and my desire to major in business in its initial stage, but now all of that seems possible. I do miss my home, but here every day I feel like I am much closer to my dreams. Yes, going against my parents decision was difficult, but now that they see I am serious about achieving my dreams, I have had their full support.

Through these years in Nepal, I was always inspired by my mom. I wouldn't say I wanted to be her, but yes, I always wanted to have her characters in me. She is an independent woman. Well, being honest I was raised entirely by her. I appreciate the fact that my mom in all these years has been fiercely independent. She raised me, handled her job, yet never said no when I needed her. I admire her for all that she is; an independent, self-made women. I hope to have those characters in me. But up until my high school days, I was always too protected and dependent on her, but from college onwards I know I am on my own, as I wish to see that independent spirit of my mom in me too.

I don't know if I can be as independent as her and live up to all of my dreams, but one thing is for sure I have evolved with time and will continue to evolve. A series of metamorphosis in my life has bought lasting change in me. Through childhood to adolescent, I have learnt a lot about valuing relationship and to take charge of my life. Here at north, I am trying to do the same. Every day, I learn new things, and sometimes I feel like giving all up, but then I realize this was what I wanted; I wanted to learn on my own, be fiercely independent, struggle, fall and then learn to get back on track!

Hopefully, I am on the right track for my career and will one day achieve what I want because honestly, there are lots to achieve and a whole new world of opportunity opening it's door for me. I don't want to miss on to any single one of them. But for now I want to focus on

my associate and then hopefully, get accepted on to University of Pennsylvania. I know I am aiming for something too big, but then life is all about taking chances.

Chances have brought me this far, a thousand miles across from the country where I was born to where I live now, so let's see how far my chances and ambitions takes me. Though, I don't know what life has plan ahead for me, but as of now I want to work on to my undergraduate degree then pass the CPA test, and perhaps open my own business someday.

Apart from these career issues, I want to do something as a feminist and be active in all social activities relating to feminism, and do something for women. I feel lucky that I can relate to both my native country (Nepal) and US as home and call myself citizen to both, so as a citizen, I try to keep myself abreast with the social activities of both the country. Thus I want to raise awareness among women regarding their health, help them to rise against domestic violence, and then inspire every woman to achieve their dream. I also want to support children in the foster care, help them through their education and make every individual believe that anything is possible in life, if only you dare to take risk, and believe in yourself.

So, this is who I am, what 'ME' (the essay) is all about; a girl trying to learn the basic of business and also trying to figure out about her life; willing to take chances hoping that every day will bring new surprises, a girl who is willing to fall hard, only to bounce back and reach even higher; a girl who wants to explore the world believing that one day this caterpillar, which is in the process of turning into butterfly will spread her wings and then fly to achieve all her dreams and yet not forget the ground(i.e. humanity)she belongs from.