## **Assignment # 2 Requirements:**

Write a 5-paragraph essay within 400-450 words about your future academic and professional goals. Try to answer as many questions as possible from below in three of your body paragraphs; however, indicate your focus in each of your topic sentences of that particular paragraph. If you reach your goals, what will happen? How will you reward yourself after achieving your goals? Mention it in your conclusion. Follow the basic MLA formatting & bring at least 2 in-text and at-the-end references in your essay (from the readings posted on MyCC).

- 1. Indicate clearly in your introduction what your academic and professional goals are. You have to explain briefly why and how your goals are S.M.A.R.T.
- 2. In your first paragraph, mention what you are doing right now how many credits/courses/terms done and how many left. How long it might take to finish your program at CC. Are you aiming at having any other academic qualification after receiving your Associates of Arts Degree? Explain what it is.
- 3. Are your academic and professional goals interconnected, meaning if you achieve your academic goal, will that help you to achieve your professional goal or do you need any other qualifications training, licensing, or volunteering?
- 4. How/why did you choose these goals? Who helped you choose these goals? Mention briefly about your research process of finding these goals? Did you do any research about Canadian economy or job market before targeting your goals? Did you do any research regarding the pre-requisites or qualifications of the educational institutions or the organizations where you want to go for study or work.
- 5. Do you think you have all the personal traits/ skills and qualifications to achieve your goals- elaborate?

- 6. What are the strategies/ action plans you want to take to reach to your goals?
- 7. In the light of your previous goal setting experience, if you had faced any challenges and how overcome those barriers now regarding your present goal setting, identify any obstacles that might come in your way. How might you be able to overcome those barriers?

## **Marking Rubrics:**

Your Assignment # 2 will be marked on the following areas: Total: /10p MLA basic formatting + In-text & At-the-end reference (minimum 2) + Reflections from the posted readings & Class lectures + Word limit: /3p Introduction (Hook, background info, thesis:

academic & professional goals/ SMART goals): /1p

Body paragraph # 1 (Academic Goal: topic sent + supporting details): /2p Body Paragraph # 2 (Professional Goal: topic sent + supporting details): /2p

Body Paragraph # 3 (Topic sent + General information from the 7 requirements that are not covered in previous 2 body paragraphs): /1p Conclusion (Quick summary/ Result): /1p

Key Points: (Explain SMART goals, who helped/ mentored you, your research process/ action plans,

Your personal skills/ traits, challenges, how to overcome the obstacles):