Required admissions essay

This part of the application has two parts. Be sure to answer both, and to label your answers, I and II.

Please take this opportunity to help us understand your interest in studying Development Practice, and what you would bring to the Regis program. In selecting students, we seek individuals with passion and demonstrated commitment to helping achieve a just and sustainable world. In assembling a cohort (or, class), we seek diversity of experience and perspective, a willingness to engage in self-critique, a commitment to collaboration, and a strong drive for continuous learning.

I. With this in mind, please write a 2 or 3-page, double-spaced, essay that includes the answers to the following questions:

1) What features of your background have prepared you to be a development practice professional?

2) What has been your greatest learning experience, relevant to development practice?

3) What are you hoping the MDP or Development Practice Certificate will help you achieve?

II. Please give some thought to your impact in the world:

1) What opportunity does your current situation provide for you to contribute to the well-being and sustainable development of a community or communities? Please be specific about the community or communities and your impact. Please consider your influence on others as a component of your impact.

2) An MDP student once said, “Everything I learn on Monday, I use on Tuesday.” How do you see your MDP studies helping you to have greater impact (including influence) than you currently have?