Minnesota Association for Financial Professionals,

Thank you so much for your generous scholarship. I will be a junior this year studying Finance and Insurance Risk Management in the Carlson School of Management, but also Actuarial Science through the College of Liberal Arts. I am currently interning with Allianz Life Insurance in their Investment Management department and am having a great time. I have been lucky that they have trusted me with quite a bit of responsibility. Just last week, I presented to senior management on the project I have been working on this Summer. The Carlson School has given me the professional skills to make this internship a successful one.

The Carlson School resources are why I have been so successful in college. The career counselor services and the school advisors have helped steer my experience and guide me to certain opportunities. They are the ones who have encouraged me to attend career fairs and network. They also made sure I was staying on track with my course work. I am very excited to still have two years left.

This upcoming year I will be serving as the VP of Technology for Women in Business which is the largest student organization on campus. I will be developing a database to help us manage our members and other resources more efficiently. I am also a member of the Actuarial club on campus. This Fall, I am looking forward to finally taking more in depth Finance classes because I have taken most of the prerequisites for the upper division courses.

In the Spring, I will be studying abroad in Dublin, Ireland at the University College Dublin. There I will hopefully be taking a few business courses along with a math class. I am so looking forward to traveling and experiencing a different culture while I am there. This scholarship will most definitely help me achieve everything I want to this upcoming year. Thank you again so much.

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