Email of Inquiry

Email Subject Line: Inquiry – Chemistry Graduate Program

Dear Dr. xxxxx,

I am a Senior at Bridgewater State University (BSU), with a major in chemistry and minors in mathematics and statistics. I will be graduating in May of 2021 and I plan to apply for the graduate program at xxxxxxxx University in September of 2021. Prior to applying, I wanted to introduce myself and learn more about the research projects that are currently being offered by the school.

I already have had extensive research experience during my undergraduate years. My past research involved the synthesis and characterization of new Anderson-Evans polyoxotungstate under the advisement of Dr. Saritha Nellutla. Also, I was at Northeastern University for 10 weeks during the summer of 2019 working in their labs in a computational chemistry project as part of their REU program. As part of this project I researched the functional characterization of structural genomics proteins in the Haloacid-dehalogenase (HAD) Superfamily using computed chemical properties. This allowed me to gain experience working and communicating effectively with other people in a lab setting. This opportunity also opened my eyes to the importance that research has for our success in this planet and made me very interested in applying to a graduate program.

That being said, I would love to hear back from you about the research being conducted at xxxx University, and insights about the necessary steps I must take in other to apply to your program.

Sincerely,

<your name>

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