



I am a biology major whose interest in science peaked at a very young age. I find the scientific method to be a delicate, but effective process that has helped me solve many problems—both in and out of academia. We may not have all of the answers to life's greatest mysteries but science can put them into perspective and provide us the vantage point at which to view the wonders of the universe. Although many of choose to argue with science, the simple fact remains is that it works. Science does not always require a laboratory setting and the methods are quite effective when taking an approach to learning, from my experience. The thrill of knowing that not all of our mysteries may be solved is what drives me to be so ambitious to do so, I feel I not only speak for myself but for all of humanity in terms of wanting what the mass majority says we can't have. Science is here to prove them wrong, time and time again.

After earning my BS at ASU, I want to continue my education and obtain my PhD in a biology related field. Upon obtaining my PhD, I will be able to perpetuate a comfortable lifestyle in and out of the work force. I will be conducting science at a high level of expertise and will gain acknowledgement for doing what I love.

To increase my chances of getting into a good graduate program, and help finalize my scientific career path, I will attend a summer research internship to and ensure that wherever I choose to proceed will be a fruitful venture. I truly believe all institutions have something unique to offer. The opportunity to experience another academic/research setting will be vital for helping me to take the next step toward becoming a trained professional at the craft of conducting scientific research.

ASU MARC to BRIDGE is helping me achieve these goals by allowing me to partake in many endeavors that have helped build my curriculum vitae (CV) and resume. MARC has hosted several GRE courses and hands-on workshops that have been provided to ASU students to help further our knowledge and ensure we have the skills necessary to move on to the next chapter in our lives as STEM majors. They've encouraged MARC scholars to take part in undergraduate research by working with a mentor as well as encouraged us to pursue a summer research experience.

