

May 18, 2013

To whom it may concern,

As a biomedical engineering major at California Polytechnic State University in San Luis Obispo, I would like to express my interest in the laboratory technician position, as detailed in your May 18 Craigslist listing. I am drawn to the prospect of learning more about the mechanics of human physiology, so working with a company that specializes in neurological diseases strikes me as an opportunity that I cannot allow myself to miss.

Although just finishing my first year of college, I have already begun exploring the options available to me in the biological field. Most recently, I began work leading a group of other honors students in designing and producing affordable transtibial prostheses for low-income individuals in Cambodia. This project has given me a glimpse at the immense satisfaction that comes from working to solve medical problems, and I am eager to help achieve these ends in a professional environment. I fully appreciate the immeasurable impact that your company's work may have on the world, and I know how crucial an orderly lab environment will be to your success.

I have demonstrated the fastidiousness demanded by this position throughout my life, especially during my Eagle project. Planning and executing this project required me to operate as the primary point of communication between my troop, volunteers, the project beneficiaries, and the materials suppliers. I maintained records of all relevant details to the project, and presented them in an organized report at its conclusion. This project taught me about the level of attention to detail that is required when working with numerous other people, and I know that this knowledge combined with my existing tendency toward meticulousness would serve me well while working as a laboratory technician.

I would value the opportunity to contribute to your lab's work and to learn about the various neurological diseases that you study. A laboratory technician position would be a fantastic way for me to apply the techniques that I have learned in my academic chemistry labs to the real world, as well as direct my attention to detail toward an impactful end.

I am eager to take the skills that I possess and accrue further experience from this job opportunity. Thank you for considering my application, and I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Sincerely,

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Commented [EP1]: Needs a paragraph of what you'd bring to the table if you were hired. It helps define your intentions to your employers so they can evaluate how you fit into their paradigm. Stuff like "learn a lot while also helping you be awesome" except with nicer words and some more specificity.