March 23rd, 2018

UBC Life Building 6138 Student Union Blvd Vancouver, BC, V6T 1Z1

Dear Madam/Sir,

RE: Go Global Research Abroad

I am very excited to apply for the Go Global Research Abroad program which enables students to undertake research activity under supervision of a host academic. It is the flexibility of a self-initiated research placement that draws me to this program. I would love to use the skills and theory I have learned in classes to apply to my own research project.

Working as a volunteer in a fish physiology lab, and in the lab courses I have taken, I have become familiar with lab techniques and lab organization. I have helped a research assistant analyze the effects of stress on the cortisol levels in trout by dissecting rainbow trout, prepare samples of the gills, use an electron microscope, and use computer programs to analyze the data.

This past year, three classmates and I participated in the 2017-2018 Multidisciplinary Undergraduate Research Conference. Through this experience creating an experiment, and presenting our findings, I have learned how to work with a supervisor, collaborate with my peers, and summarize my research to different audiences. My experience playing for the Canadian Field Hockey team and UBC Varsity Field Hockey team has taught me to work in a team as well as manage my time effectively.

I am very eager to learn and grow as an academic, professional, and individual in this research position. Thank you for your consideration and time. Please contact me at rowanharris5@gmail.com or 613 315 5665. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Rowan Harris

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