

College Statement of Purpose

My childhood memories are filled with my adventures from visiting my four cousins in Aggieland. I loved being a part of the Aggie traditions at football and baseball games. My plan was to follow them to A&M. However, my college path took a detour when I was offered the opportunity to play baseball at Abilene Christian University. I followed my dream of playing college ball over my dream of wearing the coveted Aggie ring – a decision I later came to regret.

I was initially really excited about playing college ball, but it quickly became a full-time job instead of the sport I had loved for most of my life; I realized I no longer loved baseball enough to sacrifice all the time it consumed. Once my sports career ended, I acknowledged it had been the only thing that had brought me to ACU. I tried hard to make it work, but I continued to wonder what my college years would have been like at A&M instead. I frequently visited my friends in College Station, which only made me long to become an Aggie that much more. With each passing week, I realized I would always regret it if I did not at least try to transfer to the university that had always felt like home to me.

Hence, I moved to College Station in June 2016, and indeed, it feels like home. Since then, I have become core-complete at Blinn College. I met with an excellent A&M advisor, Mr. Stavinoha, who after hearing about my career objectives guided me toward the University Studies-Leadership degree plan. My excitement began to build as he described the flexibility of the program, with its leadership concentration and two minors of my choosing. When I was informed I could choose sports management and business administration as my two minors, I knew for certain that USAL-LED would perfectly support my business idea.

Specifically, my business idea is "The Utopian Wellness and Fitness Center," a facility that will house a complete gym with exercise classes, a nutritional supplement center, chiropractors, physical therapists, homeopathic doctors, acupuncturists, and massage therapists. Nutritional, spiritual, and psychological counseling services will also be available. After describing my idea to Mr. Stavinoha, it is evident I will need a strong business education to support my career goal.

To launch and manage a business, I must develop personal leadership skills through the USAL-LED program. Through it, I will acquire knowledge of leadership theory and change theory, and learn how to apply that information to real-world situations. How to build a cohesive and loyal team is also something I must comprehend to create a thriving work environment and business. The leadership curriculum and the sports management and business administration minors will clearly prepare me for the successful implementation of my business plan.

I am eager to start pursuing the USAL-LED program at A&M to take my personal and academic journey to the next level. Although I took a detour, I strongly believe I am on the correct path now. I have always loved the friendly, family-like, spirited traditions that define A&M. Please let me come home and be a part of the Aggie family.

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