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Personal Statement

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My interest of languages and literature began when I was in junior year in high school, I

was registering for my classes for my senior year. I decided to take an honor class, Spanish

Literature and Culture. I was thrilled because I had always wanted to take a class about cultures

and literature, which it has always caught my attention. When my professor would do

discussions about the narratives it became enlightening. I remembered that every time we will

finish reading a poem or a reading from the textbook (Azulejo), I would say to myself this is my

favorite narrative. However, I realized at the end of the semester I did not have a favorite

narrative. I knew that I had found my passion for languages and literature. Until this day, I do not

have a favorite narrative, I have liked all of them.

I am a transferred student from Hartnell Community College. I graduated this past May

and obtained my A.A. in Spanish. I am a first generation student and I had no idea how a

university was like, for me it was a new transition. I only knew I wanted to continue to pursue

my dreams and major in Spanish.

So far in CSUMB it has taught me great things. I have learned so far that in pursuing any journey

you are not alone. My professors are always willing to help out their students which it

encourages me to ask for help when I need too. Also, my professors have inspired me to set goals

and have determination to accomplish them. Most importantly the courses that I am have taken

so far have taught me to value more the different cultures and appreciate its uniqueness.

I have many plans regarding to my future. One of them is to pursue my B.A in Spanish and later on the master's degree in interpretation and translation. Yet, I have a desire to obtain a minor in Agriculture because both of my parents work in agriculture and so as I did, I want to feel more integrated with my community. I hope one day I can work with immigration or in Agricultural businesses. Lastly, I want to pursue a PHD in Humanities. I desired to return to my community and help out especially those who do not speak English and teach them the value of languages that is a precious gift that anyone can have.