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I am an undergraduate student in my second year at San Jose State University, majoring in Public Relations. With my degree, I hope to work in broadcast journalism for a national news station, or join a PR firm in the fashion industry. To help prepare for my career, I am currently looking into internship opportunities in both of these categories for the near future.

Throughout my junior and senior years at Leigh High School in San Jose, California, I applied for, and was accepted to represent my school in the Montalvo Arts Center Teen Council in Saratoga, California. Working closely with world renowned artists, I expanded my passion for photography, put on and participated in local gallery shows, and represented the Teen Council in an interview for the Silicon Valley Bay Area Parent Magazine.

Also in high school, I participated in the Student Advisory Council sponsored by my local congressman, Mike Honda. In this council, I worked closely with my peers in the 15th Congressional District to create public awareness of important issues. In my senior year, I was appointed head of the PR committee within the council. It was in this position that I realized that the Public Relations field is my passion. Because of my abilities, I was gratefully chosen as one of the guest speakers at a press conference for the increase of federal Pell Grants.

This year in college I am participating in the filming process of San Jose State University's Update News broadcast on local television. Since I love to communicate with others, and enjoy writing, I definitely think I will excel in the Public Relations and/or broadcast media fields.