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Personal Statement

Knowing two languages is a huge virtue in life. Not only does it open the doors to many opportunities, but you also get a different perspective of the world. You get the opportunity to interact with different people and experience the culture in which they live in.

Growing up I was fortunate enough to grow up with a mom that was a Spanish teacher. Ever since I can remember she would make me read and write in the Spanish Language. After living in Mexico for most of my childhood and then coming to the United States at the age of 9, I had a huge culture shock. Going to school became very hard because I had to learn this whole new language I was surrounded by, which was English. I struggled the first few years, but I was very lucky to have supporting teachers and classmates that made this process so much easier. My Mexican roots and native language were always close to my heart.

My junior year of high school I had the opportunity to learn Spanish Literature in one of my AP courses. I was mind blown and immediately fell in love with that course. The literature works of Gabriel Garcia Marquez, Juan Rulfo, and Federico Garcia Lorca inspired me to follow my dreams of continue my future studies in Spanish and obtain a degree. I knew that I wanted to do further studies on this topic and someday be in a classroom filled with college students with the same passion.

To me Spanish literature is my favorite type of art. At this moment I am obtaining by degree in Spanish, but in the future, I will obtain a Ph. D. in Spanish Literature and Latin American studies. I want to teach someday those literary works of art that inspired me to be the

person I am today. I remember my parents once telling me to choose the path that will make me the happiest, this is more than a dream.