

Angelo Morales

Genetics (Biology 294)

January 17, 2024

Writing Assignment #1- Personal Statement

Ever since I started to binge-watch the television series *Forensic Files*, I have developed an interest in forensic science, and also, who doesn't love a good mystery? I also hope that by pursuing a career in the forensic science field, I can provide answers and closure to the families of the victims that were affected. I also have a hobby of making masks, so I do hope that I can also dabble in that field as well, and maybe I could even start a career in Hollywood movies for special/practical effects.

I believe that I could become a good forensic science technician because I am always interested in science and am always open to learning new things. Furthermore, like I said before, I also want to be able to help families achieve answers to certain crime cases involving their loved ones, and give closure to those questions. I'll try my absolute hardest to achieve an answer for the questions that the case may present and will be absolutely focused on getting my data and facts correct and accurate. My past experience with science has been pretty good, especially during lab portions. Whether working in a group or working solo, I will always be determined to finish the work and get the best and most accurate results possible. I especially love it when the labs deal with chemicals too, as I feel like I'm in my happy place despite the hazardous conditions, and I wouldn't mind getting my hands dirty for a job. As for my mask making hobby, I always developed an interest in masks at a fairly young age, mainly my early teenage years, but I haven't started doing it as a hobby until a few years ago, and have found a passion for it ever since. I always love finding new methods to create masks, and I feel like I could do well in the special effects industry because of my passion and work ethic, as I sometimes have spent more than 6 hours working on a single mask. I also like paying attention to details, whether it is paint detail on a mask or key components in a lab. I'm also a hard worker, and past experience from the labs or the mask making process has proved it. Also, as I said before, I am open to learning new things from the professionals, whether it being the forensic science field or the special effects industry.

In conclusion, as stated above, I think I would be able to be a good forensic scientist or a special effects artist due to past experiences and my overall attitude towards those experiences. Whether it be my work ethic, my passion for the topics, or my abilities and determination, it is crazy to think that all of this interest was sparked within me from a simple television crime show.