Upon graduating from Old Dominion University with a degree in Biomedical Sciences, I aspire to enter Eastern Virginia Medical School. I started my journey by completing my Associate of Science degree in the Fall of 2024. I have always aspired to work in the medical field, and my long-term career goal is to become an Obstetrician/Gynecologist. There are many directions that career in medicine can take you in, and I chose my career desires for a few reasons.

As a Biomedical Sciences major, I have always enjoyed answering the question, "Why?" Understanding the way the world works from a scientific perspective, why things happen, as well as recognizing their significance is the most valuable information I have acquired. I feel that one of the most rewarding parts of my college education is being able to look at things in the world that were once simple functions, such as freezing water or a rusting bike, and understand the cause. I personally have a specific interest in genetic disorders, and working in this field I would hope to have a chance to work with families who find themselves in these situations, and be able to provide them with the medical help, education, and support they may need.

I find fetal and overall human development to be an interesting subject academically, and the intricacies involved with growth that occur before a baby is born are something that I personally find phenomenal. The subject of fetal development, specifically disorders that occur during this stage, is something that I would like to dedicate my life to understanding, as well as helping others understand and learn. As research and technology continue to progress, so will the possibilities of ensuring that mothers have safe and healthy pregnancies, as well as the opportunity to become educated on what is taking place inside of their bodies.

Another reason for my interest in this field are the variations within the practice. This field not only focuses on bringing life into the world, but keeping it healthy after it arrives. There are opportunities in this field to advocate for women's health rights, education, and there is so much variety in care that can be provided. Sexual health, clinical medicine, and surgical procedures also play a very important role in this career. I also intend to make it my personal goal to close the racial gap in mortality rate during childbirth in this country. Women of color have a significantly higher mortality rate in childbirth than that of caucasian women. With that disparity, I feel personally that the mortality rate overall is far too high. The experience of bringing life into the world should be a pleasant one, and I intend to educate myself in all forms necessary in order to make that a reality.

As I continue to progress through my college career and gain more experience in this field, I will fulfill my aspiration of becoming an Obstetrician/Gynecologist and bridging the gap between scientific and human understanding. I plan to succeed in my career goals by; using acquired knowledge, education and training as well as the compassion I hold within my heart.