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Dear Ms. Felton:

I am thrilled to apply for the position of Peace Corps Campus Ambassador at the University of Illinois-Chicago. I believe in the three goals of the Peace Corps; the value of promoting world peace and friendship cannot be overstated. I plan to apply to the program once I graduate and am motivated to learn as much as I can beforehand. Working directly with you on campus will be instrumental to my success.

Public service is a necessary component of society. With over two years of volunteer experience, I have gained immense satisfaction in knowing that I am helping my community. Currently, I am an AmeriCorps VISTA Member with the United Way in Oak Park. This past tax season, I educated over 150 Illinois residents about tax laws and helped them file for taxes in-person and online. Over 95% of them successfully filed on time.

I have also gained intercultural awareness from volunteering in Senegal and studying abroad in Belgium. These experiences taught me firsthand that simply listening to others and asking questions about their cultures is an effective way to build positive relationships. I even learned and performed traditional Senegalese and Belgian songs, which earned the respect of my communities.

Thank you for considering my application, and please contact me at 312-555-0052 or at mzs21@chi.edu if you have questions. I would appreciate the opportunity to discuss my qualifications with you more and look forward to staying in touch.

Best regards,

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