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*Plans to study abroad in
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I carry with me a lineage of dreams, curiosity, and passions. Growing up, I would hear about all the aspirations and dreams my parents had. I would hear how impossible their dreams were because of their situation, and how obtaining a higher education and traveling the world was just not in the cards for them. However, it is for me. I carry the eagerness

they had to explore and learn more about the world. I carry the passion and the determination to work towards a career as a pediatrician and to satisfy my intellectual curiosity.

Studying abroad is a once in a lifetime opportunity that I am eager to take advantage of. I chose this specific program and host country because traveling to London, England as part of UCSD Revelle Abroad Global Seminar will allow me to not only delve into a humanities and history course, but it will also allow me to explore and understand the diverse mosaic of European culture that has existed for centuries. I will be able to visit historical places and meet new people, while also enriching my mind and broadening my perspective on the world and cultures. I have always been intrigued by history and philosophy since I was young. The history of England, especially in their conflicts with the United States and in their rapid ability to industrialize significantly, has always left me in awe. London is a site that holds such historical and cultural importance for the periods and themes that will be discussed in the Humanities 3 course I will be taking. We will touch on significant events and figures during the Renaissance, the Reformation, and Early Modern Europe, as well as gain familiarity with works of English writers, such as Shakespeare. Not only that, but with the history course, we will set the American record against European approaches to multiculturalism. I will be able to learn more on the historical perspective of London during these 3 turning points in human development. My experience abroad as part of Revelle in London will provide me with the unparalleled opportunity to explore historical and contemporary events exactly where they occurred.

Furthermore, my experience will undoubtedly motivate my academic and professional endeavors even after returning. As a UC San Diego Revellian, I am committed to the mission of truly becoming a well-rounded and socially engaged academic. My engrossing experience in London will inspire me to continue to excel in the humanities series as well as in my personal life and future career. This experience will positively impact my work ethic in future courses, encouraging me to invest additional diligence towards comprehending and applying my knowledge. In addition, I will have gained a distinct type of newfound independence and vigor, which I will utilize when overcoming future obstacles, especially when pursuing a career in the medical field.