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Dear Dr. Gwin,

My name is...., and I am currently interested in being admitted for the MSN/Family Nurse Practitioner online program at your University. I graduated with a Bachelors of Science of Nursing degree from in ...(date). I am currently a Labor & Delivery Registered Travel Nurse, practicing in California. I currently hold Registered Nursing licenses in the states of: Arizona, California, Louisiana, and Texas. I am interested in your program, as I desire to transition my care to focusing on caring for people in underprivileged and under served areas through becoming a Nurse Practitioner. This area has my passion because my mother is from a small town where access to healthcare is minimal, and I desire to be able to help those in need in those types of areas. Some of my own family members neglect care and I feel if they have assistance even from myself as a practitioner, they will become more proactive regarding their care. My passion for healthcare is immensely centered on nursing research and improving patient outcomes.

During my time as an undergraduate obtaining my BSN degree I encountered an unexpected hardship and stressors that lasted throughout my course of study. I always had hopes and dreams of becoming a nurse, so giving up was not an option, however I had to accept certain unfortunate consequences. I entered my nursing program in August 2010, excited focused and ready to learn. However, two short months later in October 2010, I received the news that my mother had been diagnosed with breast cancer. Devastation is all I felt at that time. I was young, and this was the most difficult thing I ever had to face. As I continued my course of study I was dealing with the multiple surgeries and recovery for my mom. She had a left mastectomy, recovery, tissue expander surgery, and recovery, and finally reconstruction surgery. All of these took a toll on me emotionally. I endured a lot during that time, and that had a negative effect on my GPA. I was thankful I was able to complete my program, not with the grades I wanted, but considering my circumstances surrounding my mother I was blessed to graduate.

As I even begin to think about entering school again at the graduate level, I am aware of the setbacks I encountered in my undergraduate days. I am however in a much better space and able to handle multiple things being thrown my way. I am older now, and at 30 years old, no children, I do not have any distractions and can solely focus on school. Although I know we cannot predict family illnesses, since becoming a travel nurse I have adapted well to curve balls in life. Unlike in my prior studies where I was young, and had never really dealt with many strenuous circumstances, I am able to face challenges and balance much better. Being a travel nurse has allowed me to grow and deal with new arising things that may happen quickly with a better mindset. I am hopeful I get the opportunity to further my education with your University.

Sincerely,
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