Personal Statement

I am more than excited to explore an opportunity in public service where I can combine my academic background, work experience, and commitment to community service in a meaningful way. Working in a government office or public policy organization has been a lifelong goal of mine, and I am eager to contribute in any way I can. I am a dual degree student at the University of Missouri, studying Business Administration and International Studies. I believe my academic experience offers a strong combination of analytical abilities and cultural knowledge that is highly relevant to work in the public sector. My collective experience has prepared me to succeed in a fast paced and detail oriented setting. For example, during my internship with Austin A. McNichols, I refined my attention to detail, developed professional communication skills, and performed essential procedures with diligence and care. These are all skills that can be applied directly to policy or project research, constituent services, or administrative duties. Additionally, my current role at Shakespeare's Pizza has helped me improve my ability to adapt quickly, multitask, and work effectively on diverse teams, all essential skills in public service. I am not limited to just professional experience, however, and have actively pursued leadership and service opportunities. I worked at the Tiger Pantry as a standard volunteer for my entire freshman year before interviewing and getting a role on the pantry's executive board. I'm firmly committed to service, and I'm firmly committed to helping as many people as I can. An Internship in the public sector is precisely what I'm looking for to grow as a professional, but also as a person. I believe jobs in the public sector are primarily about making America a better place. Helping people, giving them opportunities, and inspiring them is what my ideal image of the public sector is. This is what I hope for in my future career.