Personal Statement- Civic Leaders Internship Program

Ever since I was adopted from Guatemala nine months after my birth and brought to the United States, a beginning that instilled in me was a deep sense of gratitude, determination and ambition. Knowing that my life could have taken a very different path has always motivated me to work hard and make every opportunity count. I was homeschooled for much of my education, which taught me self-discipline, independence, and a strong sense of personal responsibility. Without the structure of a traditional classroom, I have become more ambitious than the average student. I set my own goals and push myself to achieve them, which has made me more ambitious to succeed in every area of life.

At the University of Missouri, I am majoring in Business and plan to attend law school when I graduate and become a tax and business lawyer. I am particularly interested in how law and economics intersect to influence government policy, business development, and financial well-being of citizens. The Civic Leaders Internships Program offers the chance to see leadership and policymaking in action in Jefferson City. Whether serving the Governor, Attorney General, or another state department, I hope to learn from experienced public servants, and goain insight into how effective governance works. My ultimate goal is to use my law and public service to create a more transparent, efficient and capitalism fair market for all to succeed in.