CLIP Internship Statement

I am Michael Mendez and I am seeking a CLIP Internship. I plan on working in Public Affairs in a state agency in Jefferson City after I graduate in May 2027. I would like to learn more about how state government in Missouri works and have personal experience working inside it before I finish my master's degree. I have experience in GIS, Python, as well as Microsoft Office. I am hardworking and dependable. I would consider it a great honor to be a part of this great organization.

I believe that this internship would greatly benefit me personally because it would give me skills and experience that I do not currently have yet. I have experience working in group settings and as an individual, as well as working with a diverse group of people. I was part of a successful team that worked closely with the USGS for two and a half years. I have professional experience working with government and I would like to grow in that field. Instead of working as a federal contractor, I would like the opportunity to work directly with the State of Missouri as an employee. I would like the opportunity to begin my journey with CLIP. I am a Jefferson City, Missouri, native. Transportation and costs are not a concern with me. I am very familiar with the locations of the State of Missouri office buildings in the city and have visited the Missouri State Capitol many times. I strongly believe that I am the best person to receive one of these special internships.