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PERSONAL STATEMENT

My name is [REDACTED] and I'm currently studying a Bachelor of International Tourism. I wish to participate in the exchange program to the University of Calgary because I believe that it will be an incredible once in a lifetime experience that would have many positive rewards and benefits. I have not yet been fortunate enough to have travelled out of Australia but I feel that going on exchange would be the perfect opportunity to experience another culture. After having a successful transition from High School to University, which involved moving out of home and into the Deirdre Jordan Village on campus housing, I feel like I couldn't be more ready to embark on this journey. From my participation in the exchange program, I hope to achieve a greater understanding of the Canadian culture, particularly that of Calgary. Furthermore, the experience gained from partaking in exchange will incur many future benefits when it comes to employment and life after University.

I'm certain that the opportunity to study abroad at The University of Calgary will greatly benefit me both academically and personally. Academically, I hope to greatly broaden my intellectual abilities by attaining a knowledge and understanding of new and effective learning strategies. On a personal note, I believe that I will achieve a greater level of independence, improve my communication skills, as well as gain friendships that I hope will last a lifetime. I'm confident that living and studying in Calgary will provide me with irreplaceable skills and experiences that will enable me to deeply grow as a person.

My knowledge of Calgary and the Canadian culture is currently limited; however, I'm positive my exchange travels will grant me the opportunity to learn new and exciting things about the nation's background, society, traditions, lifestyle and more. Furthermore, I will be undergoing a Canadian Heritage subject whilst studying at The University of Calgary which will undoubtedly heighten my knowledge of the countries culture further.

I would be very willing to provide Flinders University with any feedback regarding my time spent studying at the University of Calgary. Also, I would be willing to share my experience with other Flinders students who wish to participate in future exchange programs.

Overall, I understand that the opportunity to live and study within a different culture is a rare and exciting experience and I aspire to make the most of every minute.