

Dear Sir or Madam,

My name is and I am a sixth year medical student at the University of Geneva where I am currently preparing for the « Diplôme Fédéral de Médecine Humaine » from which I should graduate in September 2019. In this respect, I would like to pursue my studies and after reading about your MD PhD programme I would very much like to join your team as a PhD student.

During the course of my studies, I have realized that I am left with many unanswered questions regarding the medical field. The more I study the more I become aware that I am only at the beginning of a journey. Knowledge is ever expanding and I crave to deepen mine and acquire new skills, both scientific and medical and in so doing pursue both an academic and medical career.

Throughout my clinical experiences and among the many fields I have studied, gynecology and obstetrics is the one that I feel most drawn to. It is a vast field covering many topics among which my preferred ones are genetics, embryology and oncology and doing a doctorate in one of these fields would advance me in my goal to pursue my career in a hospital / university environment.

To work as a PhD student in your programme for me would not only be synonymous of expanding my scientific culture but also of discovering and learning to master new laboratory methods and tools which are becoming increasingly present in medicine. More importantly, it would offer me the opportunity to work in a stimulating multidisciplinary environment which benefits from innovating and cutting edge infrastructures and technologies.

I could never pretend to be the best for this task but I will say that I am highly motivated, curious, hard working and ready to tackle all the difficulties that I would be confronted with. I strongly believe that effort is essential to any accomplishment and that humility allows one to question one's self and to perceive mistakes not as a fatality but as an opportunity to learn and move forward.

After graduating I hope on taking a sabbatical leave during which I will be giving anatomy lessons for the FormaScience platform in Strasbourg. Therefore, I will be fully available starting April-May 2020.

I sincerely hope that my application will be of interest to you and I remain at your disposal for any further information.

Best regards,