**In 300-400 words, explain what inspires your interest in Sports Analytics and Statistics. How will you use that inspiration to make the most of your experience at Wharton Moneyball Academy?**

Being able to work in the sports business industry is something I have always dreamed about. I have always enjoyed and excelled at mathematics and sports, currently being a part of my school’s basketball team and math club. With my higher education not so far away, it left me wondering if there were majors with both my interests. I wasn’t able to find any until Formula 1 came into my life. My curiosity led to me spending my weekends watching free practices, qualifyings, races, and eventually their documentary on Netflix called Drive to Survive. The series showed the team looking over data together, discussing and analyzing what is to be improved. I then discovered the world of sports analytics and statistics.

I found my favorite sports teams have yet to succeed in winning despite having all the opportunities to do so. Ferrari finished second in the Constructor Standings behind Red Bull with a 205 point difference despite amazing races during the start of the F1 season, and Spain lost to Morocco in round 16 of the World Cup with 3-0 on penalties despite their first game being a huge success with a 7-0 win against Costa Rica. These unexplained results made me frustrated, making me wish I understood how it could’ve been prevented.

With the experience I would gain from the Wharton Moneyball Academy, I can implement what I’ve learned towards learning how to work in the industry and produce profound sports discoveries, focusing on developing data-driven decision-making skills. With (is there anything else you can add about the offerings in the program? Put them down here), I hope to not only make my dream come to life, but to help innovate technology to further advance the world of sports analytics.

Do you have any more specific things about the academy and program that can be added? If so, please add them at the end paragraph. Make sure you relate the things you mentioned to how you plan to use what you’ve learned. Career or academic interests? Innovative idea? Etc..