As a resident of San Francisco, a city at the forefront of technological innovation and public health, I have been deeply involved with a community passionate about making significant advancements in these fields. This experience has fostered my determination to contribute to public health, especially coming from a background where African American males in professional settings are significantly underrepresented. My unique perspective, shaped by the contrasts between my identity and the professional environments I navigate, fuels my commitment to diversity and inclusion within public health. I am eager to bring this commitment, along with my skills and experiences, to the Graduate Assistantship program, aiming to not only advance my knowledge and capabilities but also to enrich the academic community with my diverse insights.

Drawing on an extensive academic background from the University of California Davis, Tulane University, and current Ph.D. studies at Florida International University, my journey has been profoundly shaped by a commitment to public health and environmental sciences. My work at Calico Life Science and Genentech has honed my skills in experimental design, data generation, and molecular biology, contributing to a deep understanding of disease models and therapeutic interventions. This practical experience, combined with a robust foundation in physiological psychology, neurology, and public health, positions me uniquely to contribute to your program. As a Graduate Assistant, I am eager to leverage my expertise in research, my passion for public health challenges, and my commitment to diversity and inclusion. Through this assistantship, I aim to further my research capabilities, contribute meaningful insights to the academic community, and advance my career with a focus on improving health outcomes in diverse populations.