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Mathema Foundation Mathematics Scholarship



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Bachelor of Education (Secondary) / Bachelor of Science

I truly cannot express my gratitude for your generosity and donation towards my study. I am studying a Bachelor of Education (Secondary)/ Bachelor of Science, majoring in Mathematical Sciences with a minor in Chemical Sciences. Your financial support is greatly appreciated and will ensure I can be as successful as possible in my studies and future career.

Your generosity is unmatched. I am so grateful for your financial support towards my studies. You have lifted an unbelievable amount of stress from my shoulders. My mother was a university student while I was a child, growing up I always heard her discuss her debts and the stresses they brought. I thank you for relieving me of so much of that stress. Studying full time will always be a stressful job, I appreciate you making sure my focus can stay on my study and not finances.

As a kid people would always ask what I wanted to be when I grew up, and for the longest time I didn't have an answer for them. This was the case until I met some truly amazing teachers who helped me understand who it is I wanted to be. A few outstanding teachers truly changed my life, and I have them to thank for my ambitions to become a teacher. Teachers have the ability to change lives, I hope that I can be successful enough in my career to be half the teacher to my students that mine were to me.

I believe science is one of the greatest topics of the world, it provides an explanation to questions we didn't know to ask. The man who taught me science in my final years of high school was an amazing man and an even better teacher. He helped through struggles both in my studies and personally, and he showed me there is more teaching than reading from a textbook. Teachers are guardians. They guide you through study, but they also guide you through life. Highschool has never been easy on anyone, and I hope I can teach and provide a safe space for my students and give back to the world what was given to me.

I spent a few years of my childhood living in a rural area. There was little educational resources and no funding in the area so during this time my mother home schooled me and my siblings. It is my goal to move to one of these rural areas affected by the lack of teachers and support and try to provide as many children as possible with the chance to learn and a chance to fall in love with science in the same way I did.

I truly cannot thank you enough.

Thank you,

Luca