

Mr. Richard A. Dubiskas

November 17, 2008

c/o SAIC

2501 Liberty Parkway, Ste. 500

Midwest City, OK 73110

Dear Mr. Richard A. Dubiskas:

I was both honored and surprised to receive the Society of American Military Engineers Scholarship. In the fall of 2007 I took the first step to what has become the most important fact in my life. I knew that by selecting the University Of Oklahoma I was headed for a great future supplemented with an enriching education. I committed to earn a degree in Architectural Engineering with a minor in French.

During the past year and the time I attended Oklahoma City Community College my time has been devoted to my studies. Trying to handle school, work and motherhood has been very challenging. This has forced me to leave my full time job. Therefore, I rely on financial aid, grants and student loans to help finance my education. Receiving this scholarship will help reduce my financial burdens and provide assistance for me as I continue pursuing my education.

I enjoy being involved in student organizations; I am the secretary of the Architectural Engineering Institute (AEI) and the Community Services Organizer for Engineers Without Borders (EWB). I have organized and participated in local projects with YMCA, Habitat for Humanity and currently organizing a holiday stocking program for Red Cross. In addition, outside of student organizations I volunteer for the shelter for battered women/rape crisis center in Norman. I like giving back to my community and have found all these activities to be very rewarding and helpful in preparing me for my professional career.

As one of this year's recipients, I am grateful for the opportunities this award will provide me. I hope to become an individual that makes your institution proud, portraying all of the values your organization stands for.

Thank you for investing in my future, it truly makes a difference.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Diana Lucero", with a horizontal line extending to the right from the end of the signature.

Diana Lucero