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Ms. Meredith Jackson  
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Children's Hospital of The King's Daughters  
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Dear Ms. Jackson,

I am writing in reference to the student externship position at Children's Hospital of The King's Daughters. Currently, I am a junior nursing major at Shenandoah University Eleanor Wade Custer School of Nursing in Winchester, Virginia. My passion for nursing began while serving on a Mission Trip in Belmopan, Belize at the King's Children's Home orphanage. It broke my heart that they did not have the supplies and equipment to care for their children. It was in that moment, that I realized that caring for children and the nursing profession was what I wanted to dedicate my life to. I hope to gain the skills and mentorship required to be a competent independent registered nurse.

While in nursing school, I have been able to gain clinical experience in a variety of different nursing divisions. I enjoy being challenged and putting my nursing skills to the test. For example, during my Medical Surgical Clinical on the Cardiac Floor at Winchester Medical Center, I received a complicated patient who had tertiary diagnosis including Clostridium difficile, MRSA of an amputation, and an acute exacerbation of COPD. To care for this patient, I had to wear isolation gear every time I entered the room but that did not deter me from spending hours talking with the patient. In order to make her feel more comfortable in the environment, I gained her trust and was able to discuss treatment options to improve her mobility and self-image.

As a three-year committed student-athlete with a 4.0 GPA, I was encouraged to adapt my day-to-day activities to meet the needs of my field hockey teammates as well as my own personal and career goals. In addition, as a head resident assistant, I am called to emergency situations where I have to critically think and resolve issues on the spot. I believe I will be able to easily transition these skills to working at Children's Hospital of The King's Daughters.

It would be an honor and privilege to gain experience at Children's Hospital of The King's Daughters. I look forward to speaking with you about this wonderful opportunity. I can be reached at (777) 777-7777 or [emailaddress@su.edu](mailto:emailaddress@su.edu). Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Katelyn Someone