

Dear Ms. Graham,

I am writing to thank you for your generous support. Through the Mother's Day Scholarship Fund, you have truly made my college experience so much better and have helped my family and I more than you can imagine. I will forever be grateful for you for your assistance.

Students enrolled in special education are not expected to amount to anything. I am a first-generation Nigerian, so English was not the primary language spoken at home. In the second grade, my teacher thought that I had difficulties communicating with my peers at school. Thinking that it was a developmental issue, I was placed into special education where I remained until the sixth grade. Being in that environment, I started acting out, skipping my homework, and was later diagnosed with ADHD.

Upon hearing the diagnosis, my father made a decision that set the foundation of my life. The next school year, he enrolled me into a Catholic school. This was the beginning of my education. I managed to surpass many expectations due to people like you who make the world a better place.

With great selfless people, I was able to find my passion for finance, make the Dean's List with a 3.6 GPA, and meet my college Chancellor James B. Milliken. I am getting ready to graduate with a Bachelor's degree in Economics and a minor in Accounting. I am also in contact with Goldman Sachs and plan on starting my career there after I graduate. Even though I have been through many ups and downs, I will continue to keep hope alive and keep moving forward.

I am forever grateful for the help you have given me in completing my college career and I truly appreciate having you as a donor.

Thank you!

R.A., 2017 Olga Graham Scholar