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Student Award Application

Submission Deadline: Monday, October 16, 2023

Send form to: P.O. Box 44, Elm Grove, WI 53122-0044 • Email: info@stafda.org

Applicant's Name: Aidan Linder **Year in School:** Freshman Sophomore
University: University Of Nebraska Lincoln Junior Senior
Mailing Address: [REDACTED]
City: Lincoln **State:** Nebraska **Zip:** [REDACTED]
Cell Phone: [REDACTED] **Email:** [REDACTED]
College Major/Minor: Supply Chain Management
Hometown: Omaha
Any specific state/region you'd like to work in after graduation?: midwest
My ideal job would be: Supply chain specialist / buyer

Education to Date: Please list any academic achievements or accomplishments.
3.6 GPA and first place finish in UNL sponsored case study

Classes/Coursework You Find Most Enjoyable: I enjoy data analytics and team projects, working with teams is very rewarding

Work Activity: Please list any previous internships, summer employment, or other experience related to your major.

I have worked at kawasaki as a procurement intern and my current job is a supply chain specialist at Vertiv. I have also worked in a warehouse and interned at a construction companies supply chain program (Weitz)

Community Activities: Please list current and past community-related activities. For each activity, please describe the nature of your involvement and any leadership positions held.

I was the team leader of a team at the warehouse I worked at, we optimized processes, and I trained people how to use ERPS. I have also held a position as a building representative for my student dorm where I planned events and communicated with residents.

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Aidan Linder
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My Five Year Goal

In the rapidly evolving field of supply chain management, my aspirations for the next five years are to drive efficiency, reduce inventory holding costs, and eliminate waste. I am committed to using my education and work experiences to contribute to the advancement of these important areas in the industry and create a more LEAN work environment wherever I end up.

Upon completing my major in Supply Chain Management from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, I plan to dive into a full-time role that allows me to apply and broaden my skills and knowledge. I plan to work in a position focused on optimizing procurement processes and vendor relations/communication, an area I have gained lots of experience during my internships. Most importantly, I plan on learning strategies I will be able to use for the rest of my life. I also intend to pursue certifications and possibly a master's degree to gain advanced insights into the industry.

Furthermore, I am excited about implementing upcoming technologies like blockchain and AI into supply chain solutions. These technologies will revolutionize transparency, traceability, and efficiency, and I would enjoy troubleshooting and implementing these advances into a company.

My professional goals for the next five years include securing a role that challenges me to improve supply chain systems, continuing my education, and participating in industry-changing projects. I aspire to become a jack of all trades and supply chain futurist, driving meaningful impact and innovation.