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I'm writing to express my interest about the Animation Internship Program at Pixar in Emeryville, California for the summer of 2025.

It goes without saying that Pixar merits high regard for its consistent production of the most globally successful films. It's no surprise that some of my favorite films of all time are by Pixar. With high quality care for each component that goes into crafting internationally acclaimed films such as: Cars, Finding Nemo, The Incredibles, and my personal favorite Monsters Inc., it's clear the company understands the importance of enthralling plots and stunning visuals that push the features of 3D animation and the industry as a whole. I am also pleased to know that Pixar also strives to foster an inclusive culture that empowers employees and values diversity. It's a refreshing value that fits with my own that they accept and encourage anyone who has a passion and skill for unique ideas and creativity to join their team of imaginative artists and experts in storytelling.

The animation internship at Pixar is an exciting next step direction in my career and it would provide an enriching environment to acquire knowledge in silhouette, character acting, and useful animation techniques that are vital to Pixar's workflow. In addition to my passion for the craft, I also have skills in Photoshop as well as 3D animation through various courses within the BFA in 3-D Animation and Game Design program at University of the Incarnate Word. The program has taught me a strong fluency in Autodesk Maya as well as knowledge in Adobe Premiere with my focus being the 3-D Animation track. Along with my animation focus, I have also had the privilege of learning fundamentals in figure drawing, visual narrative conventions, and character pantomime in animation. For example, with my work on UIW's senior thesis short films "Yum Cha" and "Grim Duties" I have animated several shots which showcase my capabilities of conveying emotion that relates to each individual characters personality such as animating Amui, the young energetic but mischievous girl depicted in Yum Cha, and the ambitious but soft working dog, Grim in "Grim Duties".

With my existing hands-on 3-D animation, technology, as well as my personal alignments with the company's emphasis on the exciting storytelling, I can contribute significantly to the internship team and gain important skills that will be useful in a future role at Pixar as well as the industry at large.

Lastly, I would like to thank you for your thoughtful consideration, and I look forward to discussing things further.

Sincerely,

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