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Dear Mr. Schenkel:

I am a senior at California University majoring in English, and I am extremely interested in a position with West Coast Partners upon graduation.

Consulting is definitely the career I want to pursue. Work on my dissertation to this point has involved extensive research, hypothesis formulation, hours of analysis, and team collaboration with my mentor; this process is not unlike the consulting project cycle. In addition, my elective coursework in microeconomics has increased my interest and honed my skills in the business arena. A series of conversations with consultants at various firms - especially West Coast Partners - has confirmed that consulting is the right career for me.

West Coast Partners appeals to me for a number of reasons. I am extremely interested in the life sciences and telecom industries, and West Coast Partners is particularly strong in those industries. I am also drawn to the small size of the firm, as I feel it would create more immediate opportunities for leadership and a strong community environment. Finally, I have been incredibly impressed with all of the consultants I've spoken with from your firm; each person is bright yet humble, passionate yet and good-natured. I would be thrilled to join your firm.

I have enclosed my resume for your review. I very much appreciate your time and consideration, and I hope to hear from your team in the near future.

Sincerely,

Salley Kooman