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Dear Dr. [Last Name],

I am writing to formally express my interest in the Graduate Research Assistant position within the [Laboratory/Research Group Name] at [University Name], as advertised through [Source of Advertisement]. As a [Current Degree Program] student specializing in [Area of Study], I am eager to contribute to your ongoing research regarding [Specific Research Topic or Project Name].

My academic background has provided me with a solid foundation in [Core Subject A] and [Core Subject B]. During my previous experience at [Previous Lab or University], I developed technical proficiency in [List Key Skills, e.g., Statistical Analysis, CRISPR, Qualitative Interviewing, or specific software]. My thesis work, titled "[Thesis Title]," specifically addressed [Briefly describe research problem], which aligns closely with your lab's focus on [Mention a specific paper or goal of the PI].

I am particularly drawn to your lab because of [Specific reason, e.g., your recent publication in Journal Name or your innovative approach to X]. I am a detail-oriented researcher with a proven track record of [Mention an achievement, e.g., maintaining accurate datasets or presenting at conferences]. I am confident that my technical skills and dedication to [Field of Study] make me an excellent candidate for this role.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I have attached my CV and academic transcripts for your review. I look forward to the possibility of discussing how my background can support your research objectives.

Sincerely,

[Your Signature]

[Your Typed Name]