

Mr. Kory MacGregor  
Roth Heating & Cooling

Mr. MacGregor,

I'd like to thank you for the Roth Heating and Cooling scholarship. It has helped me in achieving my goals for a higher education.

During my first term I was dual enrolled at Oregon State University and Linn Benton Community College. I took calculus as well as a speech class at LBCC and health, ballroom dance, and an intro to engineering class at OSU in order to fully explore my environmental engineering major. During the term I learned to juggle between classes as well as the hectic bus schedule. I found the classes to be a bit challenging but I eagerly accepted the challenge. Through the process, I found that although engineering has things I enjoyed, it wasn't the profession I wished to enter into.

At the end of the first term, I changed my major to animal science, something I knew I had a passion for after being raised on a farm. During the term I found my roommate to be the biggest challenge in my school life. I pushed through the term with grades that I am proud of but found myself without a place to live in for winter term. With too short a time frame to find a new place before the new term started, I transferred to OSU Cascades and moved home for winter term.

My move home turned out to be a huge benefit. I was able to save money as well as take care of my livestock. The flock of sheep that I own are a huge part of my income when it comes time to sell the lambs in summer. Moving home for winter term allows me to personally lamb out my ewes to ensure that they have healthy lambs. The classes I am taking at OSU Cascades are psychology, calculus, weight training, intro to business, and digital photography.

I have found my psychology course to be my favorite by far, I love learning about all the different aspects of the brain and the behavior that humans represent. Knowing this about myself I am looking forward into pursuing an animal science degree that specializes in animal behavior and bioethics. Even though there are money saving perks about living at home the OSU Cascades campus does not offer animal science as a program.

I plan on returning to OSU for spring term in order to stay on track for an animal science degree. The time spent at home has allowed for me to search for housing in and around Corvallis. I can't wait until I return for spring term, OSU has such a beautiful campus that is really unique. Thank you again for your help and support. It has made it possible for me to put myself through school, in a major I am excited about.

Sincerely,

A.C.

Dear Mr. Kory MacGregor,  
Roth Heating & Cooling

I wanted to write a letter telling you how my school year is going and to thank you for granting me this scholarship. So far I have enjoyed the campus and all it has to offer. My classes that I am focusing on for my major are very small and they give me a great opportunity to work one on one with my teachers. The teachers at OSU also put forth a huge effort to make sure students really understand the material. I also really like the emphasis they put on how the material will relate to when I will be working after I get out of college. There are many times in class where my teachers will give examples from their work experiences which really help me understand the material and it helps me find the material more relatable.

My first term at OSU I took my first class related to the field of interior design. I learned about the different housing styles all across the United States and the basis for construction so that I will be able to recall which part of the construction process the house is in and I will have a better understanding for reading construction documents. I also took a science course where we took a field trip up to Mary's Peak to learn about the different geologic features. My other two classes were communications and a nutrition and health class, which were both required for my major. Unexpectedly I really enjoyed my communications class and found much of the material relatable. I am currently taking more classes related to the field of interior design which I enjoy very much. I am finding that within my major there are many options for me to choose from for my career. I am excited for what is to come and excited for the many more classes that I get to take.

I want to thank you again for granting the Roth Heating & Cooling scholarship.

Sincerely,  
C.T.

February, 2011

Dear Mr. Kory MacGregor, Roth Heating & Cooling

I would like to update you with how my first term here at Oregon State University has gone. So far here at OSU I have learned a lot about myself, and about what it takes to be successful in college. I've learned that Friday nights are not for partying, but instead the best night of the week to go to the Library and get the homework and studying done for the weekend. The Library is quiet, and there is a ton of space. I found out that this school has a Country Western Dance Club which I have become very involved in and it keeps me busy, and is a lot of fun learning new dance moves, that's probably my favorite part of the school so far. I've also become involved with the Associated General Contractors of Oregon State University chapter and am serving as their Freshman Representative. As far as classes go my favorite ones have been the engineering ones that I have taken. My all time favorite was the AutoCAD and Revit course that was a lot of fun, but also very interesting being able to push myself to better my CAD work. I would also like to thank you very much for the scholarship that you presented to me as it has taken a lot of financial strain off my shoulders, and by not having to start a second job, I have been able to focus more on my school, and spend more time studying so that I can do the best on all of my midterms and finals.

Thank You,

C.D.