## ETA Omega Scholarship Essay

It is safe to say that the Covid-19 Pandemic changed our perception of life both positively and negatively. Before Covid devastated us all my career-oriented goal was to go to college majoring in biology, and transition to medical school to become an anesthesiologist. However, in the midst of the pandemic, I was informed through tik tok about travel nursing. Being a travel nurse allows the individual to work for several medical organizations and hospitals in different cities and states for a large amount of money in a set amount of time. Being someone who likes to see different parts of the world such a program fascinated me. I made up my mind to major in nursing in hopes of being a CRNA and traveling to different cities and countries helping various groups of people. Being a nurse is not only cost-effective but can allow me to gain skills in the medical field for a fraction of the time medical school offers. Covid also shed light on the importance of financial literacy. During the second semester of my junior year, I took a financial literacy course which opened my eyes to things such as savings, investing, credit cards, etc. Things of such intrigued me and gave me the idea of minoring in something finance-related. With the information gained through that minor, I may use it to teach those around me the importance of being financially literate. Covid was also a blessing in disguise, especially for my finances. I began investing in stocks as well as putting money into a secured savings account. Over time I watched my money exponentially grow influencing me to also look for a backup career in the finance field. The global pandemic allowed me to gain a sense of a promising future; although many atrocities happened during this time, I am grateful for the time I was able to spend alone isolated to analyze who I was and what I yearn for in life.