**Akila**

**Baltimore, MD**

**Her Story:**

In this course I would like to gain more knowledge and expand my skills into tech and understand the role and responsibilities of a data analytics. I believe that the future of business is going to be data driven and I would like to be a part of this growing and evolving field in tech. I think this new career path will open doors for me, and it would give me an opportunity to grow and explore many other roles in tech. I know this career will be challenging and it will allow me to use my abilities to problem solve and think outside of the box.

It would be a proud moment for my family especially my mom. I came from a single parent household where I watched her struggled to achieve the American dream.  I had my challenges in life as well.  My Mother always encouraged me, she believed in me and saw my potential even when I felt defeated. This will be one of my personal goals and a big accomplished to complete this program.

When I started seeking a new career path, I chose data analytics because I believed that transitioning into tech will open doors, create job security, financial stability and greatly increase my income.

I came from a background in healthcare, and I have the desire to do something different.

 I wanted something that would challenge me.  There’s no growth in my current position. However, because of my job, I had always had an interest in data. I deal with a lot of patient data. We collect a lot of patient information and I have always been curious to what happens with the data.

I have a strong determination to push myself every day, to do better and I will continue to learn and improve my skills. Completing this program will give me a sense of accomplishment, purpose, meaning, and direction in my life.

**For reference:**

**Company Name:** Life Bridge

**Job Title:** Cardiac Monitor technician

**Work Experience**:

15 years of experience in healthcare

Customer Service experience

**Other Skills:** MS Word; MS Excel; MS PowerPoint; Outlook; Teams

**College Degree:** No

**Education**:

**Annual Income:** $34,000

**Open to Relocation? Where?** Yes, Houston, Washington DC, California, Atlanta, Michigan

**Observation characteristics from Emory (Outgoing, Quiet/Shy, Leader, Team Contributor, etc.)**

* Visual Presentation and interpretation were Excellent,
* Correlation Analysis was well structured and a good presentation.
* She attends some of the weeknight help sessions.

**Competencies: (Interpersonal Skills, Cooperation and Collaboration, Time Management & Administration, Leadership, Communication Skills, Strategic Thinker, etc.)**

* Emory Academic Proficiency Rating: Advanced