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To state it simply: I want to understand more about the world. I want to help cure cancer. And science makes that possible. It allows me to explore the unknown and solve problems. Pursing my PhD gives me the flexibility to determine if I want to become a professor in the future. But whether I take that path or another, graduate work at Gerstner Sloan Kettering has offered me the opportunity to study at the best cancer institute in the world, and the benefits of such a collaborative environment will resonate if I continue in cancer medicine research or not.

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