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Dear Student Applicant,

Thank you for taking the time to complete this application process for the National Science Foundation's supported IRES project "Investigating Anthropogenic Perturbations on Carbon Cycling in Urbanized Tropical Estuary"

Here are some questions to help you write a strong personal statement that addresses the project requirements.

- Why did you choose your current discipline/major/emphasis of study?
- What is it that inspired you to make this educational choice?
- What career do you aspire to have in an ideal situation?
- What inspires you to want to do this kind of work?
- What are the top two topics that interest you the most about this IRES project?
- Describe the kind of experiences or skills you anticipate to gain, develop or create by participating in this international research program.
- Describe how you think or envision that the issues/topics of this project could address crossdisciplinary issues related to global carbon cycles. (hint: read the Project Summary to learn more about the project)
- Identify and state a unique research question or idea (something you will want to investigate) that aligns with the cross-disciplinary issue you described above or are interested in investigating during this project.

Don't forget to upload your personal statement on the application form before submitting your application.

Good luck,

Dr. Hendratta Ali and Dr. Eliot Atekwana**020**.