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### Letter of Appreciation for Conference Funding

In the fall of 2022, I applied for and was accepted to present at the American Geographical Union Fall Meeting in Chicago, Illinois. This meeting gave me many opportunities, allowed me to meet both professors of graduate programs I am interested in and potential future employers, and let me learn new and interesting information about geosciences. I was able to meet and have conversations with professors from the University of Delaware and the University of Rhode Island, both graduate schools which I have applied to and hope to attend. This opportunity alone made the trip worth it. I also was able to attend a couple of very interesting presentations, most notably one about coastal geomorphology and another about methane seeps. Along with these I also viewed hundreds of different posters and learned many things during my time at the conference. In addition to this I was also able to meet with representatives from potential employers including NOAA, NASA, and the Stennis Space Center. This event was very important and allowed me to learn many new things, as well as connect with other students, potential graduate advisors, and potential employers. I am truly grateful for the opportunity that was given to me by the Department of Geosciences, the Honors College, and Mississippi State University.