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June 13, 2016

3 months  
after withdrawing  
from Williams.

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Dear Karen:

I am pleased to readmit you to the Class of 2019 at Williams College beginning Fall Semester 2016, contingent upon your having made up any deficiencies with courses approved by the Registrar's Office. Registration materials will be sent to you very soon. Questions concerning housing should be directed to Student Housing in the Office of Student Life (gail.rondeau@williams.edu or 597-2555). Be advised that you will be reassigned a new Paresky Mail box number (you can find the number and combination in PeopleSoft Self Service). *No longer 2889, but 1924.*

As a condition for your readmission you must meet with Deb Flynn at the Health Center. Dean Reyes will also work with you throughout the semester as an advisor. Please call the Dean's Office to set up an appointment when you return to campus.

If you are applying for financial aid, you should contact the Office of Financial Aid immediately to make certain that appropriate forms are filed.

With these formal matters out of the way, I'd like to welcome you back to the College. If I can be of any assistance to you, please don't hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

**David C. Johnson**

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Associate Dean of the College and Dean of First-year Students

This section doesn't say I paid \$1300 for this experience. It also doesn't say it's only a program open to Mellon Mays Undergrad. Fellowship. Stud it doesn't say I met Taylor on a 3rd year med. student @ Chicago's Interiors Med. School pushed me to continue my pre-med. It also doesn't say how a PhD came up to me after my research and inspired I pursue a semester off the school disoriented your SU Box and reassigns you a new one once you re-enroll. I would make a valuable change in the field.

↑ readmission letter

This GPA shows I'm proficient, a standard not typical of a Williams student. I'm proud of how hard I've worked to have this GPA.

This GPA doesn't show the amount of all nighters I have pulled and the hours of sleep I have sacrificed. It doesn't show the happiness on my face after passing chemistry w/AB.

This means I'm graduating off-cycle. My resume doesn't say I was in a car accident on my way to the Latine Medical conferen @ Dartmouth that's why I'm off-cycle. It doesn't say how difficult it was.

# Karen Linares

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## Education

**Williams College, Williamstown, MA** December 2018  
Anthropology major and Latina/o Studies concentration Major GPA: 3.46 Cumulative G.P.A: 3.00

## Professional Experience

### Summer Research Training Program

The University of Chicago June 2017 – August 2017

- Completed courses in academic writing and social theory and was closely mentored by advanced graduate students and faculty
- Further developed my scholarly writing and presentation skills, explored research approaches and methodologies relevant to the anthropology field, and presented at the Chicago Research Symposium (held in the final week of the program)

### Mellon Mays Research Fellow

Williams College Summer 2016 – Present

- Funded for four semesters and two summers under faculty mentored independent research. Research topic: Latinx immigrants' shifts in attitudes towards self-care and health care since immigrating to the United States.
- Conducted preliminary ethnographic fieldwork at a community healthcare clinic in Los Angeles and held 15 in-depth interviews with patients in Spanish
- Complete 8 interviews of undocumented Mexicans for year-long senior thesis in Anthropology by May 2018. Titled: The Influence of Undocumentation on Interpretations of Care Among Undocumented Mexicans in Southern California.

### High School Mentor

SWAG to College September 2015 – May 2017

- Mentored two first-generation senior high school students through the college process.
- Weekly hourly check-ins through text and FaceTime that consisted of goal-setting, academic and emotional reflections, and essay revisions/brainstorm of essays.

### Summer Intern

KIPP: Los Angeles Schools Summer 2015

- Launched the first KIPP Family Ambassador Program with the Parent & Community Engagement Manager. Responsibilities included creating compacts and surveys for parents, contacting and meeting with parents, translating documents, event planning, and editing workshop presentations.
- Curated a Community Resource Guide with over 150 resources that is available in PDF format to over 450 KIPP LA families.

## Leadership and Volunteer Experience

### Co-Chair, Vista - Latinx Organization, Williams College

May 2017 – Present

- Facilitate meetings, mediate between Vista and various organizations, plan and lead events, and set up steering committees to address events such as Latinx Heritage Month, the ECCSF conference, etc.

### SPEC 19: Healthcare Internships, Los Angeles Christian Health Centers, Los Angeles, CA

January 2016

- Shadowed Dr. Katy White, a family medicine practitioner, and Dr. Dina Brent, a pediatrician at the Los Angeles Christian Health Centers. Shadowed over the course of three weeks, forty hours per week.

### Volunteer Income Tax Assistant, Internal Revenue Service

January 2015

- Engaged and inquired people from low-income backgrounds, elderly, and/or limited English speaking people in order to provide free income tax preparation assistance. Certified IRS Tax Assistant.

### Resident Advisor and Neighborhood Representative, Williams College

September 2015 – February 2016

- Established house community standards, facilitated residential community development, and conflict mediation to assist with roommate and/or neighbor issues

## Skills

- Bilingual (Fluent reader and writer in Spanish)
- Proficient in Microsoft Programs
- Critical Thinker - proven through work in research
- Effective communicator and Multitasker

This section focuses on the one surface vocabilities to make Vista remain standing. This should be under coursework took b/c it consumed so much of my time – I treated my role as chair as a fifth course @ Williams. My leadership skills were strengthened and my confidence rose as a result. My ability to adapt to situations also pushed me outside of my perceived comfort zone & demanded patience, empathy, and grit.

This 1 month experience changed my life. It's the reason we pushed to stay on pre-med track despite my low G.P.A. Dr. White has become a mentor and support system throughout my pre-med journey. She's been one of my strongest advocates.

I'm a bilingual speaker because my parents only speak Spanish. Spanish was my first language, up until I was six years old.

I was going to initially turn down this offer for the opportunity to do a summer medical program at Yale Medical School, but I realized the opportunity to do research for 2 years on a topic that has significantly influenced how I view this country and others was more important to me. I put on my long-term cap and realized that this research experience would make me a better physician. I do not regret my decision much.