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Dear Professor Hudson:

I apologize for not thanking you enough for all your help and support. I ended up studying Mathematical Finance at the University of Southern California. This would not have been possible without your help. Thank you. I started last Fall and had a great first semester. I will be graduating with my Master's degree in Fall 2012, and my plans are, after testing the job market, to continue with doctoral studies in Applied Mathematics. My classmates are from all the top universities in the U.S., i.e. UCLA, NYU, Berkeley to name a few, and their backgrounds range from bachelor's to even PhD's in math or physics. I am more than just competitive. FIU's Math department has prepared me well. I am thankful for that as well.

Since I could not accept Atilda's invitation to speak at the upcoming career fair about opportunities for math majors after graduation, I still felt that I have to share my experience over here. I hope you can use my experience to encourage more of your students to continue with graduate studies after graduation from FIU.

Best wishes,
Holger Paas