Personal statement

Living with regret is very tormenting. I’ve always had a fear of trying new things but when I don’t take the chance, I always regret not trying. During my time in high school, I refused to apply for any architecture internships in high school because I was too afraid. This all changed during covid when the way of learning changed to remote learning, and I wasn’t sure if my path was correct. My teacher had mentioned to me a program that was based in all three fields: architecture, construction, and engineering. At first, I wasn’t sure if it was the right choice, but I joined anyway because my teacher was strongly recommending it. The program initially appeared very uninteresting because the first two sessions consisted of introductions. The architects, engineers, and other mentors within the program began explaining and demonstrating some of their fields. I became more interested; I learned what I liked and disliked but most importantly I understood some more of the careers that were outside of the architecture field. The work was new to me, working with a team and receiving constant feedback was something I hadn’t experienced before. I met amazing people that helped me when applying to college by writing letters of recommendation. In the end, the program, the ACE Mentor Program of Greater NY was one of the most knowledgeable experiences I could have taken. Overall, you never know what things you can discover if you try them.