Dear Dr. [Professor’s Last Name],

I am a [classification] at Tulane, majoring in [your major]. I am interested in advancing my research skills to prepare for a career in environmental policy. I’m specifically interested in the social impacts of environmental legislation on local communities and grass-roots responses to policy. I am looking for experience outside of the classroom to better understand the real-world challenges and possibilities of research.

I'm reaching out to ask about opportunities to assist with your research on the Pointe aux Chien Indian tribe and their efforts to rebuild after Hurricane Ida. I saw you speak at the library symposium and read your op-ed piece in the *Times-Picayune.* We also read excerpts of your book in my environmental history class, which greatly inspired me.

Please let me know if you would be willing to meet with me to discuss any potential research opportunities for an undergraduate in your research group/on this project or elsewhere on campus or locally.

Best,

[Your Name]