

Statement of Purpose

“Knowledge is power”, “Knowledge is wealth”, “Knowledge is everything” are the phrases I was acquainted with very early in my life. Hailing from a family where prominence towards acquiring knowledge has always been profound. Ancestrally, my great grandfather had once told to my grand father – “wealth may come and may go, physical beauty might remain ephemeral, but once knowledge acquired would stay till the last breath of your life, if it is learnt with passion and practiced it with zeal”.

Obsession with acquiring knowledge slowed down after my grand father for the first time dared to do something beyond his horizons. Breaking the traditions of family background. So did my father stepped out of his comfort zone beyond merely acquiring knowledge and it is time for me to continue the momentum of hereditarily doing something that you are not very comfortable with. Breaking the jinx and doing things that weren't taught academically or formally has become a norm from past three generations.

One peculiar instance to prove the same – During my teenage, I was given pocket money in the beginning of every month to take care of my basic necessities. I was expected to manage the same funds for all my stationary and day-to-day expenses. Being frugal and not spending unnecessarily was a norm back in those days. However, while other kids of my age used to save it to buy something of their choice with the economized money. I used to save it to contribute my share in the amount that my father used to donate every year to the needy people in different forms.

Doing the assignments, submitting projects on time & doing well in the exams were not the only traits that my parents were really proud of, but the leadership skills that I showed during my high school years made me serve the school house as a vice President for a year and School Captain for two consecutive years in a row were few achievements that my parents were really proud of. My early experience of leading a team and working with a team was polished when we were challenged with school events & competitions to conduct under the guidance of our schoolteachers. And, every experience whether failure or success laid a strong foundation on what to do and how to deal with challenging situations. Along with all these lessons I secured 81.92% & 70.33% in my 10th & 12th grade respectively.

With time and experience things become lucid, engineering was a natural choice to explore further avenues. Choosing Electronics & communication came as a blessing in disguise. Initially, before choosing this domain, I personally spoke to 15 seniors with varied background to understand their perception over the choices that they made during their time. I was more confused than ever before, as a result I chose to seek professional help - after series of counseling with professionals and my parents' wisdom I decided to dwell upon this specialization. Among all the reasons, one

reason in particular that made me choose this subject was vast opportunities in Research & Development coupled with perpetual growth in technology.

During my undergraduate degree at the college, I excelled in many courses because of the Interest that was developed with time. I chose few core courses like Network analysis, Signals & Systems, Embedded System software Development, Micro processors & Micro controllers, IP Networking, Digital image processing and so on. Due to hereditary challenging attitude I took up few offshore programs like Entrepreneurship Development, IPR & Operational Research. My aggressive attitude towards producing more than my primary capability led me to be core part of student forum where we organized many events & seminars for the fellow students to take benefit from. I also played a concrete role as a lead coordinator in one of a kind 'Techno Cultural Fest' at the college. Amidst of all, teaching underperforming kids of affluent parents in the society was another dimension in which I used to keep myself occupied with during free time.

In the last two years of my Undergraduate program I dedicated myself to acquiring practical knowledge along with theoretical knowledge at the college. I took part in several fests, competitions & seminars. I also took part in several projects with different sizes of team and played various roles while doing so, for instance: Core Code Development; Conducting Surveys; Design Products. I was fortunate to do so under highly intellectual guides working at world class Research & Development organizations. On the same journey, I had an opportunity to have a very close interaction with the CEO (Mr. Rajshekar) of the organization where I had privilege of doing my internship (TOCCSS DATACOM PRIVATE LIMITED). This close interaction led me to set a dream of owning an enterprise of my own in the days to come.

Culmination of varied experiences & lessons that I have learnt over the period of time and the dream that I have envisioned for myself has collectively paved a way to one dimension today. I believe a graduate course like **Masters in Engineering Management** would be a perfect choice to make my dreams a reality. This program will augment my knowledge on Identifying, solving, managerial decision-making problems; effectively interpret & implement technical & non-technical problems in equal symmetry; constructing Lean Solutions to organizational technical problems. All in all, this program will strike a perfect balance of fundamental engineering, management & leadership principles.

Enrolling myself at **San Jose State University** will not just elevate my profile on resume, but also truly get me closer to my dream. The erudite professors and the opportunities showered on all the prodigies studying at the varsity coming from all walks of life makes it a perfect destination for my aspirations to develop international network with all kinds of candidates. Culturally diverse platform will further fuel me to learn better from my peers & seniors alike. Finally, I'd be grateful to the admission panel & revered application review committee to bestow me acceptance with financial assistance.