

Personal Statement

After I graduated from high school, I was always wondering about how people can know more than one language. So, I took a step up to decide that I should travel to Canada and learn English. The culture was different at that moment. Communicating with people was something I wished for. People I met, who speak more than one language inspired me. Therefore, I worked hard on gaining the language and adapting the culture. Yes, I learned English and adapted the language as well as the Canadian culture. The most important I started a university.

My first two years of university, I searched for a calling, a major in engineering that would change my life and direct my studies. I enrolled in a wide variety of engineering courses. I took an introduction to industrial engineering course, that where I found myself excited and aspired to learn more of the industrial engineering field. Industrial engineering is well known and one of the most important engineering disciplines of our time. By then, I was halfway through my studies, and I received an email from Saudi Arabian Cultural bureau. The email that said I should move to different country to continue my studies due to the crisis between Canada and Saudi Arabia. I moved to the US, and I changed my major to renewable energy engineering as my country demands for it.

My time in undergraduate university has also taught me that I love to learn. Currently, I hold a near-perfect GPA, and this is not because of an innate intelligence or grade-fixation but also, for attributing my academic success far more to challenging work and a love of learning. From what I have heard, renewable energy engineering major can be an exceedingly difficult experience without these attributes. What I have learnt over the past years is, what gives me a sense of fulfillment. Every vacation since my Canada trip, I have started to travel and learn more about life, and I find these trips inspiring and especially rewarding. From my educational background, I had believed that renewable energy engineering career appealed to me. I want to get the same feeling from my career. From that point in life, I decided to extend my knowledge to solve the demanding problem faced by management filed in the renewable energy industry.

In addition to my experiences, In the university; I further developed my skills as a part time job as assisting my supervisor professor at Alfred University where I counseled students, planned educational promotional activities, and engaged in administrative work. Meanwhile, I worked as Co-Founder at KDDAD, where I was involved with all departments as well as planning, evaluating, and counseling. These were incredibly valuable opportunities to gain experience about management and obtain experience and knowledge that cannot learned through books and classroom study alone. In my view, acquiring knowledge of management will not only be extremely useful but also personally rewarding and enjoyable.

Deciding on a career has not been a straightforward process for me. But the self-knowledge I have gained over years makes it clear to me that “Management” is the right choice. Management has given me a deeper understanding of world and my place in it, but my understanding needs to extend further. As for my future, I hope to acquire expertise in management, which has gotten a very wide scope and that will enable me to work as a professional in a multinational company. Now I decided to study my master’s degree in abroad, and I hope to develop the language skills, leadership and organizational abilities, cultural understanding and professional expertise that will apply to my future work.

I am well-prepared to face the challenge of studying at my chosen institution, and I have the determination to realize my goals and complete my studies successfully. I hope that I qualify all the requirements for admission into your Graduate Program and that my admission application favorably receives by the admissions committee.

Sincerely Yours,

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