

SAMPLE STATEMENT OF PURPOSE FOR MS COURSE

Below is a sample statement of purpose written by a student applying to a University abroad for MS course.

Sample 1:

This statement of purpose is written by a student who aspires to study an MS in Computer Science at the University of Melbourne.

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Course applied: MS in Computer Science

"The computer is the most remarkable tool we've ever come up with. It's the equivalent of a bicycle for our minds." - This quote by Steve Jobs has inspired me ever since I read about him in an article, when I was in school.

The sheer passion, dedication and insight to the future that Steve had has led to the growth of Apple, one of the best technology companies in the world. The products created by Apple Inc. from the ipod, iphone to the ipad have all been game-changers and have a fanatic fan-following all over the world.

My interest in computers was sparked by the story of how Steve created Apple as a technology firm with his friends. This led me to opt for the Bachelor of Engineering in Computer Science course at Mercy Engineering College. I rate the four years of study at the engineering college amongst the best years of my life, as I spent a lot of time in the computer laboratory learning programming languages and concepts of hardware technology and the components that make up a computer.

As part of the project of my final semester of study, I worked on developing a portable word-processing application that would also work on low-cost Java-based mobile phones. In developing countries, smart-phones are still a luxury and most people still use sub-US\$25 mobile phones, which work on Java-based operating systems. The external examiner for the project rated my project 4.5 out of a maximum of 5 rating points. I completed the engineering course with a cumulative grade point average of 8.75 out of a maximum of 10 points.

I aspire to study Master of Science in Computer Science at the University of Melbourne because it has amongst the most highly rated postgraduate programmes on offer, in Australia. Additionally, one of my lecturers Mr. Avinash Tripathi, an alumnus of the University of Melbourne, recommended that I study there. I have complete faith in Mr. Avinash's recommendation, and I hope I will get a chance to study my dream course at Melbourne.

My ambition is to focus on creating a low-cost yet robust computing device that can offer the full functionalities of a personal computer. This will work on open-source technology and will help everyone from students to farmers, and the biggest USP of the device would be that it would run on a solar-powered battery.

The process of learning is continuous, and I hope that I would also be able to work on a doctoral programme at the University of Melbourne. I hope I will get admission at the University of Melbourne and will be able to fulfil my dreams.