
My motivational letter

From a very young age, I had aspirations of becoming an engineer, because I wanted to build machines that did not require direct human energy inputs to operate. I achieved this for the first time a few weeks later, designing a vehicle that carried its energy stored in rubber-bands; it wasn't a roaring success, but the fact that it wasn't perfect only increased my desire to learn more about engineering.

The more I learn about mechanical engineering, the more assured I become that a career as a mechanical engineer is suited to me. I am a staunch believer of doing things that you are intrigued about. A few years ago whilst researching for a physics assignment, I discovered that most cars are 20 to 30 percent efficient at best. This statistic is unacceptable, and it had a big influence on my decision to study mechanical engineering.

After deciding to become an engineer, I set out to find the qualities necessary for success. In the process, I read about Heinrich Maybach, Thomas Edison, Isambard Brunel, Ernst von Siemens, and a lot of others. Of all the great engineers I have learnt about, the one that inspires me the most is Thomas Edison. This is because, unlike all the others, he not only was talented as an engineer; he was also a brilliant businessman. It's hard not to get inspired by that.

I believe that success, as an engineer in this day and age, requires technical competence and a combination of management, leadership, communication and business skills. Leadership is something that I have naturally and my school recognized this by appointing me a senior prefect, which I believe has further improved my leadership and communication skills.

On the note of my co-curricular activities, I love to play football, with Barcelona being my favorite club. I also like cricket and basketball. In addition, I am involved in the Sports Guild Society, and I have attended a number of seminars and workshops as part of the program.

It is my hope that a degree from your university would serve as a solid base for a successful career in engineering, where hopefully, I would be involved in the development of new technology for cleaner and more efficient transportation systems.

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