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EDUCATION

Michigan State University, Michigan, U.S.A.

Aug 2012 - May 2017

Bachelors of Science (B.Sc) in Physics

RESEARCH

Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI,U.S.A.

Sept 2015 - April'2016

Department: Physics Education Research lab (PERL) @ MSU

<u>Specialization</u>: Evaluating and Improving the way scientific interdisciplinary concepts are taught across the Physics, Chemistry and Biology disciplines.

Activities and Skills:

- Actively participated in poster presentation in UURAF (University Undergraduate Research and Arts forum) and various research articles which helped me gain public speaking and presentation skills.
- Attended CUWiP (Conference of Undergraduate Women in Physics) held in Ohio State University, WSU and other Physics and Astrophysics seminars about clinical research (2013-2017).
- Contributed to the Research by submitting a Research paper on 'Investigating how students connect essential scientific ideas across the disciplines', indicating having good scientific writing skills.
- Collaborated with the Research team located in Florida and MSU on Textbook Analysis and investigated the conducted, transcribed interviews helping me achieve great communication and multitasking skills.
- Maintained an official weekly research blog that helped me enhance my Scientific Writing skills

TECHNICAL SKILLS

C++; Python; HTML; Java; Mathematica; Matlab Idle; Anaconda; Netbeans; Xcode; Flash

TECHNICAL COURSEWORK (2012-2016)

- Introduction to Quantum Mechanics
- Introduction to Electrodynamics
- Introduction to Nuclear Physics
- Introduction to Elementary Particle Physics
- Classical Mechanics
- Advanced laboratory

- Thermal and Statistical Physics
- Electronics
- Physics for Scientists and Engineers (I,II)
- Introduction to Programming (Python)
- Introduction to C++
- Discrete Mathematics and its Applications

ADDITIONAL

Leadership:

• Chief editor in School Student Magazine Editorial Committee. (2010)

Awards:

- Participated in and won many prizes in music, art, dance and public speaking (2002 to 2011) showing my creative side.
- Awarded as the Best Student Award (2011)
- Distinction in English Olympiad conducted by Macmillan, Australia (2010) and participated in many Math and Science Olympiads helping me advance my problem solving skills.
- Recipient of Scholar Badge for Academic Excellence (2009)

Participation:

- Going to a field trip to Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory (2016) helped me learn more about Particle Physics and explore the lab with a team.
- Active member of SPS (Society of Physics Students), SWiPA (Society of Women in Physics and Astronomy (2014-present) and WiC (Women in Computing) (2013)
- Attending Spartahack held at MSU in 2013 enriched my vision on teamwork.
- Volunteered i.n organizing and participated in dorm events (2012-2013)
- AIEEE (All India Entrance Engineering Examination) qualified in the year 2012.

Community:

Actively donated household items and clothing to Goodwill, East Lansing (2012-2016)

Conferences/Seminars:

- Attended various seminars about CERN, ATLAS, Recent research about Condensed Matter Physics, Computational Physics, Nuclear Physics, Quantum chromodynamics and many more (2014-2017)
- Being present for a conference on "How to help women from across the world to pursue higher further education in Physics and Engineering" (2015)