

My name is Sley HORTES, I found birth on December 13, 2002 at Cite Soleil in Haiti. I was raised in two different environments because my parents fell apart just after my birth. My very existence wasn't welcome by both family as it should have been, it had lead me to a constant fight of proving that I wasn't a mistake, that I was worth the sacrifice. During My first five years, I grew up with my mother. We moved to a countryside where I attended my Elementary School. Some years later, my parents agreed that it was best for me to live with my father. After joining my father, he wanted me to start over my last class because he didn't believe in my capacity but my mother fortunately and utterly opposed to that decision.

The challenge of my life begun at this very moment. I grew up with a strong will to prove my father wrong. I have worked and studied hard, finished the first in my promotion every single year but still it was never enough. When it was time to go to Junior High School, my father decided to put me in an American boarding institution called LOUVERTURE CLEARY SCHOOL (LCS) where I would spend all my time and come back home only on weekends. In order to integrate the school I passed the 2 entrance exams, Interviews and finished the First in the competition. My father was really surprised because he didn't believe I could do it. At that time, I didn't care where I was going nor what it meant because all I wanted was to prove him wrong.

Integrating LCS ended up to be one of the best thing that could ever happened in my whole life. When I first went there, I was mesmerized of how the whole mechanism worked and I was thrilled to be part of it. The community the people formed there was something I've not yet experienced. I was used to be the first in my former school but at LCS things had changed. I have found a challenge other than the one with my father. I have experienced the result of the students' consistency. Since then, I try my best to be consistent in every little things I am doing because one's good behavior along with knowledge is the key to success. My seven years spent at LCS made me a leader like I never thought I would be. It has participated a lot in the person I am becoming and their motto "You Must Give For Free What You Have Received For Free" is now also mine. I have been converted from a selfish boy who valued knowledge at all cost to someone who understands and care for teamwork. I have also learnt to discipline myself and value time management. In that boarding school, students were called to be fluent in 4 languages which are English, Spanish, French and Creole. I made a self priority to be among the best English speaker in my promotion and I have indeed reached that goal. Interacting with American and Mexican teachers has also influenced my way of thinking.

Thanks to the school, during my second and third year of High School I have been A Translator along with other classmates at an Hospital with foreigner doctors and I enjoyed helping the patients. During my last year, I've been Captain of the Soccer Team. I have learnt to fight not only for myself but also for others. This taught me that together hardship seems easier and subsequently not a big deal. Along with this

mindset, some friends and I have created a group in which we buy raw materials like cocoa and transform it into for sell Chocolates. Through this group, I have experienced what is it like to think as an entrepreneur in a growing firm owned by only mere High School Students. We wanted to be independent from our parents and moreover I was drawn by the will to prove my father that I could succeed not only with his help or money but also if I worked hard.

After graduating from High School, my mind was pretty clear and set on what I wanted to major in. Back at LCS the person I considered like a model was a Computer Scientist. He was the big brother I have always wanted because he believed in me no matter what. With him I have learnt to love computers and he taught me what programming really is. Therefore in my three last years in High School I dedicated myself to excel in my math, physics and computer lab classes. Programing had become a communicating language to me. I used to be the first to come and the last to leave the computer lab. I was never tired of it.

With the Scholarship LCS bestowed upon me for good behavior and excellent academic grades, I entered ECOLE SUPERIEURE INFOTRONIQUE HAITI (ESIH) for a bachelor degree in Computer Science. I have spent only one year there and decided to apply for the Taiwan MOFA Scholarship Program. It's True that I am going to start my bachelor degree over but it worths the sacrifice. Moreover compared to Haiti, Taiwan Universities are way better and I'm going to challenge myself even more than before.

To what concerns my dreams and aspirations, I want to become a well known Computer Scientist who can help my Country, my Family, but above all my Mother because she is all I am fighting for at this moment. I am also all set on my goals, prepare myself to overcome any hardship and obstacles that I might face in the future. I won't let anything get in my way or distract me because I know where I come from (Haiti which is the poorest country in America) where I want to go, and people that I want to make proud. All of these motivate me everyday to be a better person then I was the day before. So all I am doing is getting prepared, working harder, smarter again and again.

Integrating this university will be a cornerstone of who I am becoming but also for my life's achievements. I will work hard enough to be proud of the next time I am going to talk about myself. I want to say that I have been at YUAN ZE UNIVERSITY, I have been among the best like I have always been in my life. I want to say that it wasn't easy but I have given all I got and made it through.

I am looking forward to show you all this eagerness and determination I am talking about.