**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

My innate interest for Computer Science began as a teenager when I found myself fascinated by the world of computers and sooner engrossed myself in the science of programming. I was introduced to Computer Science and coding, I found myself mesmerized by the world data. I spent hours on my computer taking part in many data science classes around the word. I dream to become a programmer to design a new development protocols and contribute to the field of science.

I bagged a bachelor’s degree in Computer Science (Second Class honour, Upper division), during the first two years of undergraduate study I studied courses like, Theory of Computer Science, Data structure and File Systems, Microprocessor Based Design and Computer Organization and Systems Programming. These courses helped me gain a strong background in the fundamentals of Computer Science. These were in many complemented by the laboratory courses. The challenging assignments that were a part of the laboratory courses helped me to develop the required technical and programming skills. During the last two years of my study, I took advanced courses like Artificial Intelligence, Compiler Design, Databases, Operating Systems and Computer Networks. I have 2 years of experience working as a software developer where I worked with teams of professionals to develop mobile and web applications that solve problems across various sectors such as FinTech, Military, education, and Healthcare sector in Nigeria. In furtherance to improve my data analytics and science skill, I completed some online classes on Data Analytics, Machine Learning basics, Regression analysis, and Python for data science, these classes exposed to the troves of data data-driven solutions and how to build predictive models with higher accuracy. Thereafter, I volunteered with the data science Nigeria group during the peak of covid19 to curate, analyse and make an informed prediction to advise my local county government on effective policies that could reduce the spread of the virus.

East Tennesses State University offers a rare concentration in Predictive analytics which is my area of interest. I have obtained information about the facilities and courses after a detailed study of university websites and have decided to apply to your university for graduate studies. I have learnt that several professors are engaged in research in areas that interest me. I would consider it a privilege to be taught by such renowned faculty. Your university offers an invigorating environment which will give a platform to explore my interests and a definite direction to my goals. I resolve to approach the program with enthusiasm and hard work and use the opportunity to advance my learning optimally.

My Low GPA was because of my financial constrain during my undergraduate program, I had to work at night and weekends to earn money for my tuition and living expenses which had some influence on my result, despite the challenges I was focus and determined to succeed and score even higher on my GRE exam. Based on my background and my innate outstanding desire to learn, I strongly believe that I have the skills, and character require to succeed in the Masters in Predictive analytic program at ETSU, and I will do my best to contribute to the research activities going on in the University if given this amazing opportunity.