# **Assignment 1 - Personal Statement**

I am Amman Soomro, a graduate of FAST (SE) with a CGPA of 3.4, My obsession with technology was ignited when I thought it would be a fantastic idea, to take my Computer CPU apart. Bearing in mind the danger, I was still eager to see how everything worked inside. I find it intriguing how fast Computer Science has shaped society and continues to do it. If somebody claimed that cars would become autonomous some years ago, people would’ve doubted them. Now we are at a stage where almost anything is possible and that is due to the computer scientists' relentless problem-solving. I want to study computer science because I want to gain the knowledge necessary to help with the efficient use of computer technology, and to pursue that dream of mine I joined FAST NU. With the help of the knowledge and skills I’ve attained here, the number of creative ideas which can be brought will be endless. I hope to become one of the informatics scientists who will apply technology to help human’s grow. Right now, I’m working on a project concerning artificially intelligent gadgets, to recognize people problems and adapt to their individual needs. Previously I made a module based OO project and was really appreciated for that by the University.

Mathematics is fundamental to everything about computer science, from simple sums to complex algorithms such as Bayesian optimization. I’m confident that I’ll be able to work well with advanced mathematics because I have a score ranking in Maths, and I enjoy solving complicated problems. I can pick up new concepts in Maths quickly and gain an intuition for how they work and how to apply them to different situations. This skill would be very useful to learning about computer science, because mathematical concepts, like being able to prove that algorithms give the correct outputs for a range of inputs and programming a machine to be able to quantify and analyze massive amounts of data, apply to many interwoven areas of computing and require a high level understanding of the mathematical foundations of these procedures.

Gaming is another interest of mine; this is one of the reasons that led me to become so interested in computer science. I am part of a Dota game team. Over the years, I have watched the MMO franchise grow and I've always been stunned by Valve and everything around it. I feel like Dota gave me the opportunity to meet many great people from all over the world whom I can now call friends. I believe that Valve and my activities in them help me learn to talk and meet with people from all over the world who are interested in the same things as me, I would also, in my future, love to work on creating and designing games and I feel that my huge interest in Valve would help me with this.

Technological advancements happen around us every day, from the evolution of bulky antenna phones into smart phones to the introduction of smart virtual assistants. I’m inspired by the fact that computer science has become a fundamental element in the development of a better, smarter future for our world and my goal is to be part of that development process. I hope that studying Master Computing in your University will help strengthen my knowledge of the subject and find me a successful career in the future in a field surrounding my topic.

# **Assignment 2 - Precise Writing**

1. Socrates argues that because of the state's role as local authority, they have control over citizens; and they shouldn’t disagree with the state’s decisions, even if it costs their life. Socrates also tried to prove his innocence in the court yet failed and agreed with the court’s order for his execution, even though he thought he was innocent.
2. Pandemic outbreak greatly affects the Socio-Politico-Economic region of the world. Exploitation of the natural environment suggests an increase in pandemic outbreaks over the past century. This will continue to happen unless we invest in Healthcare and identify the root cause of this problem and limit/fix it.

# **Assignment 3 - Summary Writing**

John Stossel articles, “Worry About the Right Things” and “The Media Likes Scaring Us,” claims that American media purposely chose news that will help increase their views even though what is shown is unlikely to happen, just to create hype. Like, after some school shooting media created a hype that games lead to violence, even though there wasn’t enough information to support this claim, but this created a fear in parents and supposedly the author's brother was rid of his games. Furthermore, Stossel talked about how the media exaggerated the fear of Bird Flu for months, even though not a single death was reported till end unlike common flu. Stossel also brings up the hype created by plane crashes, that resulted in people fearing to take flights, even though car crashes are more likely to happen than a plane crash. Author agrees with Stossel on how the media is focused on exposing us to inconsequential fear. Author suggests thinking critically and objectively about the information provided so that people can live in less fear.