

# **PROFILE**

#### PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name Jesse Ryan Hu` Sex, Birthdate Male, 01/15/1994

## **CONTACT DETAILS**

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**Permanent Address** 

315 Towerview Dr Durham, NC, 27708-9979, USA **Alternate Address** 

## **DEMOGRAPHICS**

**Military Status** No relationship

## **LANGUAGE**

**English** First Language, Speak, Read, Write, Spoken at Home

## **GEOGRAPHY & CITIZENSHIP**

**Citizenship Status** U.S. Citizen or U.S. National

**Birthplace** Gainesville Florida United States of America (20 Years US, 0 Years Non-US)

## **CA FEE WAIVER**

**Fee Waiver Request** No

## **FAMILY**

**HOUSEHOLD** 

Parents Married
Home Both Parents

PARENT 1 Father

Name Dr. Guangye Hu

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2244 Shenandoah Dr Anderson, CA, 96007-3676, USA

Occupation Other, Assistant Manager, Shasta Mosquito Contr, Shasta County, Employed

**Education** College

Taishan Medical College, CHN Bachelors (four-year degree) 1977

University of Florida, 201 Criser Hall, Gainesville, FL, 32611, USA, CEEB: 5812 PHD (Doctorate)

1997

PARENT 2 Mother

Name Mrs. Yanfen Chen
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2244 Shenandoah Dr Anderson, CA, 96007-3676, USA

Occupation Other, Unemployed

**Education** College

Taishan Medical College, CHN

#### **SIBLINGS**

Wenli Hu 34 Sister College

Masters, University of Florida, 201 Criser Hall, Gainesville, FL, 32611, USA, CEEB: 5812,

08/1997, 05/2001

#### **EDUCATION**

TR COLLEGE

**School** Duke University, 2138 Campus Drive, Durham, NC, 27708, USA, CEEB: 5156 08/2012 4-year

institution

Advisor Dr. Daniel Sorin, W. H. Gardner Jr. Associate Professor

**Email, Phone** daniel.sorin@duke.edu, +1.919-660-5439

**Currently Enrolled** 

#### TR SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Graduation 06/2012

**School** Wiregrass Ranch High School, 2909 Mansfield Blvd, Wesley Chapel, FL, 33543-6931, USA, CEEB:

102067 08/2008 - 06/2012

#### INTERRUPTION

Reason I have no interruption to report

## **COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY CREDIT**

**School** 

Duke University, 2138 Campus Drive, Durham, NC, 27708, USA, CEEB: 5156 Course taught on college campus, College credit awarded, Transcript available, Degree candidate 08/2012 - 05/2014

#### **CURRENT YEAR COURSES**

# **TESTING**

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	Taken 2	Planned			
	ACT Plus Writing Test	Yes			
SAT SUBJECT TESTS					
	Chemistry	800	05/2011		
	Math Level 2	790	05/2011		
	US History	780	05/2011		
AP SUBJECT TESTS					
	Computer Science A	5	05/2012		
	Calculus BC	5	05/2012		
	Biology	5	05/2012		
	Government & Politics: United States	5	05/2012		
	Music Theory	5	05/2011		
	<b>United States History</b>	5	05/2011		
	Chemistry	5	05/2011		
	World History	5	05/2010		
	Psychology	5	05/2010		
	Human Geography	5	05/2009		

#### **ACTIVITIES** Computer/Technology hackDuke Organizer & Sponsorship/Logistics Lead FR, SO School, Break, Year Last Fall, organized the largest hackathon in the Southeast. This Spring, hackDuke 15 hw 24 wy proudly presents Code for Good: http://hackduke.org Continue **Teaching Assistant & Recitation Leader Academic** Lead recitations, grade papers and hold office hours in CS201 Data Structures & SO School 6 hw 28 wy Algorithms (Fall), and CS330 Algorithms (Spring) Continue Work (Paid) **Center for Instructional Technology Assistant** FR, SO School Worked on some of the largest Coursera courses offered at Duke. Coordinated with 6 hw 30 wy professors such as Dan Ariely and Mohamed Noor. Continue **Hackathon Hacker** Computer/Technology FR, SO Year Heading a weekly hack night at Duke. Winning team at the Apple Big Byte Challenge. 24 hw 8 wy Hacker Olympics participant. Continue **Music: Instrumental** Section Leader, HS Band Captain & 1st Chair 11, 12, PG, FR, SO School 1st Chair All-County, "Superior" Ratings at Solo & Ensemble in High School 4 hw 40 wy Continue FixMyCampus Inaugural Committee Member **Student Govt./Politics** FR School Helped launch a successful campaign to hear and act on student voices. Revamped 5 hw 14 wy Lost & Found system at Duke. Continue Other Club/Activity **Co-Lab Inaugural Member**

FR, SO School 4 hw 20 wy Continue

2016 Leadership Award in Innovation. Co-Lab Inaugural Challenge Prize.

## Other Club/Activity

PG, FR School, Break, Year 15 hw 12 wy Continue

# Developer, Co-Founder at BuySignal

Launched BuySignal, a startup using social media to generate more efficient leads using machine learning. 2nd place at Startup Weekend.

#### **WRITING**

#### **PERSONAL ESSAY**

I used to be the most homesick person I knew. Growing up, I hardly wanted to leave the neighborhood, and never the town or state. My friends all went to the local state school, and I had not fully considered any other schools due to the distance and unfamiliarity. I didn't know anything about college, and my parents only knew about the schools they'd gone to, since emigrating from China. Duke emerged as an option – the "best option without going too far", said my parents, persuaded by their friends.

I originally planned on graduating in biomedical engineering and pursing medical school, as my parents expected me to. However, after discovering the community, challenges, and opportunities in computer science, I couldn't resist but fill my schedule with algorithms, computer architecture and the like. My parents' pressures felt were restricting; the endless possibilities in programming felt liberating.

Over the past three semesters in Duke, I have learned a lot about the college experience and myself. I've learned to manage time, collaborate and engage professors. When there wasn't something I wanted on campus, I would try to make it possible — with the help of other students. With these peers, I've been able to be a part of the founding class of a few exciting clubs. Though I've had the opportunity to shape a few of my experiences, I feel that I've outgrown the resources available at Duke as it stands.

Though Duke provides a supportive and growing engineering program, the computer science department (in the liberal arts school) doesn't provide full offerings for undergraduates. There is often division between CS undergrads, graduate students, and the ECE department. It's also hard to find courses that will teach the "applied" topics or how these fundamentals relate to industry. This means it's difficult to explore exciting fields such as artificial intelligence, machine learning, web technology, and user experience. Although there are plenty of opportunities to learn outside of class, peer learning and face-to-face interactions matter. As a result, I took part in DukeDevs, a student-hosted lecture series. I also spend many weekends at hackathons in different universities. Though travelling to hackathons and organizing hackDuke provides a great outlet, I want to learn at the cutting edge of CS academics and at the intersection of industry.

I also strongly believe in student ventures and a strong undergraduate entrepreneurship program. Though I have been able to find and work with peers with their own ventures, Duke's program focuses on the business school, and doesn't give undergraduates the support and mentoring that they need.

Hackathons have pushed me to enjoy travel and meeting students from across the nation, more than I would have ever thought. I'd really appreciate the opportunity to bring my enthusiasm for the hacker culture and organizing these amazing events to the Northeast, where there's an opportunity to not only share with your own school, but facilitate collaboration between each of the neighboring cities and schools.

I've always had a passion for the arts, playing in the wind ensemble and concert groups throughout school. Though Duke provides an opportunity to keep playing, I'd love to explore music through a composition perspective, as well as learn more about electronic and computer music.

Rather than prestige, I'm looking to be challenged by peers and find role models who have mastered their fields and compel others to do the same. I'm looking to further my understanding of computer science and the applications, and am searching for places that venture into the breadth of modern topics that are compelling. I'm looking for a community of scholars, thinkers, and doers that are not afraid to deviating from the norm.

The homesickness has died down for now, but I am always seeking to be home. But perhaps it's time to make a new home, one where I have room to grow, gain new perspectives, and contribute to for years to come.

# Stanford University Member Page

# **GENERAL**

Preferred start term Preferred: Fall 2014 Admission plan RD - Regular Decision

**School Specific Fee Waivers** No, I will not be using one of Stanford University's fee waivers.

Financial aid Yes

# **ACADEMICS**

**1st Choice Academic Programs** Computer Science

**2nd Choice Academic Programs** Music **3rd Choice Academic Programs** Education

#### **CONTACTS**

Previously applied Yes 12/2011

#### **FAMILY**

Sibling applied No **Relatives attended Stanford** No

University

Relative employed at Stanford

University

No

## OTHER INFORMATION

**Stanford Honor Code and Fundamental Standard Agreement** 

**Stanford Application Agreement** 

Yes

Yes