

# An introductioni to LaTeX and Me

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## Abstract

This is a brief introduction of myself using LaTeX. This is my first time using LaTeX. In this brief document I will indroduce where I am from, what my major is, and my interests in this course.

**Acknowledgments:** Thanks for Prof. Chin for teaching CIS 400-Certified Security By Design. This course taught me how to use LaTeX.

## 1 Where I Grew Up

**My home town** I was born in Panzhihua, a city built on mountains for mining and smelting. My family moved to Chengdu when I was 8 years old. Chengdu is known for it's humid weather, beautiful girls, and delicious food.

**What I liked** Both Panzhihua and Chengdu were cities located in Sichuan province, a state also known as Szechuan. Recently there is a meme on the internet from the famous cartoon show 'rick and morty' about how delicious a Mcdonald sauce was. That sauce was only available back in 2008 marketing for the 'Mulan' movie, and apparently casters from the cartoon wanted it so bad that they yelled for remake. Lucky for me because I was raised in Szechuan, I have little desire for a fake American comercialised fake version of Szechuan sauce. I have tasted all kinds of sauces, and peppers. My favorite kind is a small pepper chopped and stored in cooking oil. One drop of that is spicy enough to make a bow of food tastes wonderful. I love the food of my home town and am quite proud of it.

**What I disliked** I didn't like the weather in Chengdu, it is hot and humid in summer. From April to August the weather turns the entire city into a giant Sauna room. I always wonder why nobody was steamed to death during those years.

## 2 My Program Of Study

**Computer Science** I am currently a Computer Information Science student at ECS

## 3 Why I Picked My Program of Study

**Career** I always wanted to be a game designer. I evaluated all the possible route for me to get the top of my possible career. Learning Computer Science was the best choice. My math and logic is better than my art skills, and learning how to programming can be really handy for me to evaluate the scope of my games. I later found out CE could have been a better option for me since I am not really interested in pursuing scientific math studies for computer, but I am already a senior and life has taught me these things do not matter in the end.

## 4 Why I Am Taking CSBD

- This class is easy to follow, in a mechanical way—I can tell what to do and am capable of doing them in order to succeed, and doing that requires no more brain power than actually following a procedure. I can write an entire paper about my personal experience with memorizing informations while being efficient and relaxed. I believe there are quite a lot articles about that too. Prof. Susan Older once said it is the best of a student's interest to put in minimum effort and get best outcome when taking college courses. So the very same day I picked this course and dropped hers. I was in Prof. Chin's CIS 487 by program requirement. Then I noticed his special way of teaching. Prof. Chin uses online videos to demonstrate detailed materials, small quiz at end of the video to help remind us the notes, and he uses class to demonstrate crucial details while assuming students know very little about the books. I am a very experienced course taker, my nose tells me Prof. Chins course will be very easy to follow, and here I am.
- My other candidate at this hour was CIS 554, a c++ course, yet I took CSE283 with the same professor by accident last semester, and he said both course teaches the same material and he doesn't want me retake it and sleep through. This course is one of his recommendations and quite fits my schedule.
- I once dropped out of college because of family conditions, and my grades were so bad, when I back to applying schools no engineering school would have me. I spent a year to make good grades at a small university before came to SU. Now I am 26 year-old and my both parents are not in labor force. I plan to make a living by next year when I graduate, yet there

are zillions to learn. Learning modules of this course can save me a ton of work.

- I always wanted to use ubuntu, I have download and used it before several times, but it either doesn't go well with my graphic card, or I do not know what to do once installed the system. The ubuntu VM just makes me happy.

## 5 What I Hope to Learn in CSBD

1. I believe any knowledge, especially the ones taught at college, are precious and valuable work like the most advanced cuisine by chefs. Hence I do not eat them just by taste. I hope I learn what is meant to be taught, and I hope my stomach can be filled.
2. I was told using latex and writing reports in this class gives e good resume that outstands some graduate student standards. Yes,please.
3. I am not good at semantics and logic signs, but as a CS student I need to be. This course could help me with that.
4. I am here to take the credits, and earn a B+, or.. an A, no, really I want an A. What do I have to learn to get an A? I hope to learn that.