**Statement of Purpose**

My decision to pursue Specialization in Computing Science has been in the making for a long time. Donning the role of a Technical Consultant, I have had the privilege to expand my knowledge by interacting with professionals from various technical backgrounds. Being in the field with experienced customers who are from Banking, Trading, and Telecommunication Sectors, has given me the opportunity to not only hone my people handling skills but also spearheading the projects in a leadership capacity. These collaborations have brought in a great deal of learning and have also nudged to expand my domain.

Over the past 9 years I have developed a deep understanding and appreciation of the technologies that I have been working on. Having graduated with a major in Information Technology helped me understand the codes and the functioning behind these products. With the Masters in Computing Science, I aspire to use my industry knowledge and skills to deep dive into the emerging technologies and complex problem solving. Furthermore, I would like to acquire proficiency in gauging the organizational needs and addressing them accordingly.

I was presented with multiple lucrative job opportunities in Campus Placement while pursuing my graduation. I chose to work at Avaya, a multi-national product-based company that specializes in unified communications (UC), contact center (CC), and services. My tenure here as a Network & Wireless Specialist proved to be truly transformational as it molded myself into an enthusiastic professional through the comprehensive trainings and competitive work culture. Also, at an early phase of my career, I was exposed to working with renowned clients like Sochi Winter Olympics (Russia-2013), Ericsson (AT&T US), British Telecom, Volkswagen, Crowne Plaza (Chain of hotels across Europe), Schiphol Airport (Amsterdam), Emaar group Dubai, etc. My work involved providing them with technical support for troubleshooting issues related to routing, switching and wireless.

After 4 years of working in datacenter networking on physical hardware, I made a conscious decision to upscale myself by moving to Vmware Inc., one of the world’s pioneers in datacenter virtualization and cloud computing. My earliest projects here was with ICICI Bank Limited – one of the ‘Big Four’ banks in India. The project encompassed designing and migrating the existing physical datacenter to a fully automated virtual datacenter and scripting in Python and APIs to automate deployment. A high point in this project was when I became the recipient of a ‘Spot Award’ for deploying ‘Zero Trust’ Environment in terms of security and providing quick resolutions to any deployment or design related issues.

Additionally, one of the most rewarding projects during my tenure at Vmware that I can fondly remember is the ‘Bank Branch Consolidation’ project executed for State Bank of India – India’s largest nationalized bank. At the end of the project we were able to consolidate to a single platform that catered to simultaneous requests from up to 200 thousand users. I still remember receiving the award for my valued contribution from the VMware sales team for SBI.

Having been a Solution Consultant and acquiring certifications like VMware certified professional (NV, DCV), ITIL and Certified Wireless Specialist (CWTS), has helped me in gaining extensive experience in delivering complex projects. I fondly remember travelling all the way to Belgium for attending a seminar on Open Source Intelligence by i-intelligence, Switzerland. Thus, I have come to realize the scope of AI, Machine Learning & Cloud Computing, and the demand for competent professionals in these domains. By educating myself in the advance courses of Computing Science, I desire to take up employment in a firm where I can tackle challenging problems daily in a nourishing environment. As I advance in my career, I have set my sights on working for a top-notch company where I can work with a team to achieve organizational goals through informed decision-making.

From early in my life, inquisitiveness and curiosity had always led me wander beyond my schoolbooks and curriculum. While my imagination was fueled by the works of Jane Austin, Harper Lee and Charles Dickens, my adventurous spirit led me to take up Kayaking, Travelling and Trekking. My love for culture and languages saw me delve into Proscenium Theatre with some reputed theatre groups in the cities of Bangalore and Mumbai. This not only led me to interact and work with people from diverse backgrounds but also connect me to various social causes. One of the plays I did was staged 25 times to raise funds for Indian Cancer Society, Bangalore.

Thus, Ireland having a diverse culture and being a booming technological hub, were few of the many important factors in my decision to seek my education in this country. Coupled with these, the history of the land and the picturesque landscapes appeal to the traveler in me. These aspirations of mine can only be achieved through the pursuit of a Masters degree in Computing Science, from University College Cork. I look forward to improving my knowledge in subjects offered in this program. My research has also convinced me that the erudite faculty, world-class labs, and the industry-oriented curriculum will add to my repertoire and propel me to my goals.