**Prasad Kisan Tajane**

**Yiannis Tsiounis and Kiki Denis Endowed Scholarship Personal Statement**

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Dear Scholarship Selection Committee:

My three passions in life drew me to Northeastern University. While some of my fellow course mates looked for a campus close to home, others chose the freedom of being far away. I, however chose Northeastern because it is the only university I know that gives students liberty to teach, study and work at the same time, the three overwhelming passions of my life.

‘Taking Technology to Society’ has been my motto in the life. At the age of 15, I started working as a volunteer in an NGO ‘Oasis’ that work towards the betterment of education of society in India, this gave me the vision and helped me set the lifetime goals. From then I have organized, volunteered and participated in many technical, educational and management events that strives to provide an education and spread an importance of education among the under privileged students. I planned and continued to achieve my passion here at Northeastern University, am currently working as a Teaching Assistant of a course Program Design Paradigm and helping students learn the course easily. Also, I am currently going through the process of becoming a volunteer at a well revered organization ‘Teach For America’.

The world of computers is growing at an un-recordable rate every day, in my opinion nothing on the planet can measure the exponential growth and excitement in the computing industry.

Thus, I want to learn about this field as much as I can and that’s the reason I chose ‘Computer Science’ as my major rather than going for any specialized track. I have taken and plan to take courses from various background starting from machine learning to web development. And my ardor towards learning new things give me the admiration to excel in courses I take.

Northeastern gives me the best opportunity to achieve my last but most important passion of implementation of knowledge in real world through work. In summer 2017, I volunteered a project to assist Prof. Jose in building a Kaplan application to keeps track of the work done by students of our university who are on co-op or internship.

I believe that I would be a worthy recipient of a Yiannis Tsiounis and Kiki Denis Endowed Scholarship. I have performed very well in my course work and after almost a year at University, I have completed 13 credits and have a 4.0 GPA. I am a student who is proud to be at Northeastern University and will continue to contribute to the quality of student life. I am confident of making humble contributions to enhance the reputation of our venerated university in the years to come. I have attached my resume detailing my academic knowledge and my technical skills.

Thank you for your time and consideration, I look forward to hearing from you soon.

***Sincerely,***

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