

1. Why do you wish to study in USA and not in India?

As per my research US is providing high quality education by following innovative techniques of teaching and concentrating more on practical exposure. Moreover masters degree from USA has a great value in highly competitive Indian Market. So I preferred USA over India to pursue my masters.

2. Why Masters at this point of time?

I am working with XYZ company since xyz years. During these years I have observed that technology is updating day by day and it doesn't stand still and neither we. So in order to keep updated myself and to sync with this tech era I decided to pursue masters in computer science with Big data analytics specialization.

3. Why this course?

I wanted to specialize in bigdata analytics. As these days data has become fuel for organizations and there is less supply of specialized data analysts in Indian market and there is rapid demand for these professionals. So bigdata analytics will definitely be a lucrative career for me in the future.

4. What is the purpose of your trip?

I am going to pursue my masters in computer science at Purdue university.

5. Why this university?

The main thing that appealed me to choose Purdue is its course curriculum. It is offering courses like bigdata, ML, AI which are my area of interests. Apart from this they also offering electives on trending technologies like Cloud computing and IOT. More over Purdue university is globally recognized.

6. Can you tell some details about this university?

Purdue is public research university and it is established in 1869. It is located in Fort Wayne which is second largest city in Indiana state. It is around 600 acers campus on the banks of ST.Joseph river.

7. Tell something about university apart from academics?

University is organizing different clubs, organizations and societies like 'Green action club', 'Music therapy club' and so on. Society for women engineers is the one which impressed me a lot and I wish to be part of this society.

8. When does your classes gets started?

On Jan 4 there is mandatory orientation and classes will commence from Jan 10.

9. What's your fee amount?

Officer , including all expenses its costing me around 27000 dollars for period of 9 months as per I20.

10. How many colleges you have applied for?

Apart from Purdue, I have applied for three other universities...UAB, Wichita state university and Texas A&M commerce.

11. How did you find about this university?

I have done some research and found this is the best university which full filling all my area of interests.

12. Can you mention the names of some professors? Have you contacted any of them?

Well I know few professors from my department X, Y, Z and I haven't contacted any of them as I have a week time after my orientation. I will meet them at that time.

13. What is the course structure and contents?

It is a 2 year program with 30 credit hours and I will have to take minimum of 9 credits per semester . Some of the courses are bigdata, AI, ML, CC, IOT. And in the final semester I will have to submit a project.

14. What is the scope of your course?

In highly populated countries like India, there is huge customer database and it is the fuel for the organizations. To manage this, organizations need data analysts and there is scarcity of these professionals in India . So this is going to be a lucrative career for me.

15. Where will you stay in USA?

I will stay in university housing.

16. Where did you do your last course of study?

I have done my bachelors in SVECW which is affiliated with JNTUK with 79.37%.

17. What are your roles and responsibilities at your workplace ?

As I am a application developer . Mainly my job entails in developing new functionalities and enhancing the applications as per the client requirements. I do involve in requirement gathering, unit testing , non prod server maintenance and code deployments.

18. You seems to be a potential immigrant ?/ how can you prove that you will come back after finishing your studies?

definitely I will have to return India after my masters as whole my family is here and I will have to take care of them and even I can join my current organization as its open door for me.

19. Why should I grant you visa? / what if I reject your visa?

Officer I have met all the financial and academic requirements. I strongly believe that US consulate will never let down an aspirant who fulfilled all the requirements.

20. Have you got any loan?

Yes, I have secured xyz lakhs of education loan from xyz bank.

21. What is the interest rate?

X%

22. How will you finance your funds for 2 years?

My father has savings of 20lakhs and I have secured education loan of 25 lakhs and we do have immovable assets worth of 3.5 crores.

23. What are the sources of income of your sponsor?

My father is a business man, we have a granite and marble show room and his annual income is around 14 akhs and we have immovable assets worth of 3.5 crores.

24. Have you given any admission requirement tests?

Yes, I have given IELTS and GRE.

25. How much you scored?

I got band 7 in IELTS and scored 305 in GRE.

26. What are your plans after completing masters?

After completing my studies I will head back to India and will secure a job as a data analyst in any one of the top MNCs like Microsoft, Amazon or I will join back IBM which is my current organization.

27. Have you researched your career prospective?

Yes officer, with this masters degree I will be able to get a good job as data analyst in any one of the top MNC's in India.

28. How much money you can earn after you completion of masters?

As per the current market a data analyst is making around 15 to 20 lakhs per annum in India. I hope it will be same by the time I come back or even better.

29. What is bigdata analytics?

Big data analytics is a software utility which is designed to analyze, process and extract the information from large and complex data sets.

30. What is the role data analyst?

The primary goal of data analyst is to process analyze the large volumes of data and extract the valuable insights from it which essentially helps the companies to make the right decision.

31. What is a difference between data analyst and data scientist?

To put it simple, a data analyst makes sense out of existing data, where as a data scientist works on new ways of capturing and analyzing data to gain actionable insights for their organization.

32. What is Machine learning?

ML is an application or subset of AI that provides systems the ability to automatically learn and improve from experience(data) without explicitly programmed. ML focuses on the development of computer programs that can access data and use it to learn themselves.

Ex: social media, alexa, email etc..

33. What is Artificial intelligence?

AI is a technology that enables a machine to simulate human behavior. The goal of AI is to make a smart computer system like humans to solve complex problems.

Ex: robos, self driving cars etc..

34. Will you utilize OPT?

My main goal is to come back to my country and to secure a good job. But if I get an opportunity to work on OPT, I prefer to take it up for short span of time as it will help me to sync my knowledge gained through masters with real time world.

35. What will you do during semester breaks?

I would love to explore near by places and if I have a long break like two weeks or so, I would prefer to visit my family in India.

