Study Gap Statement

I am Rakesh Sharma, and in this study gap statement, I will outline the hiatus in my educational journey from 2015 to 2023, which has led me to pursue a course in Artificial Intelligence.

My academic journey has been marked by a series of significant experiences and transitions that have shaped my educational trajectory. From 2015 to 2018, I embarked on a course in hotel management following the completion of my 12th standard. However, during my 5th semester in 2017, I was introduced to the world of Ecommerce, particularly dropshipping, by a friend. Intrigued by the possibilities, I ventured into this business, creating a Shopify account. Although it took some time to generate revenue, I eventually grasped the nuances of content creation and witnessed the growth of my dropshipping venture. However, during my 6th semester, I encountered a setback in the form of an exam failure, which had a profound impact on my self-esteem, leaving me in a state of uncertainty and self-doubt. This period of introspection led to a hiatus in my academic pursuits.

In the subsequent years, from 2019 to 2021, I embarked on a journey of personal healing and growth. Encouraged by my

brother, I took a much-needed vacation to Malaysia, which helped me regain my confidence and sense of purpose. Upon returning, I resumed my dropshipping business, gradually regaining my independence and self-assurance. In 2019, I attempted the IELTS test and achieved a score of 5.0. As the world grappled with the COVID-19 pandemic, I continued to run my dropshipping business while incorporating a fitness regimen into my daily routine.

The year 2021 marked a significant step forward as I took the PTE Exam and obtained a score of 45. My commitment to both my dropshipping business and personal development remained steadfast.

In 2022, as my dropshipping business faced increasing competition in India, I made a pivotal decision to diversify my skill set. I enrolled in a web-designing course at the Centre For Advanced Computers And Management Studies (CACMS), where I developed a keen interest in coding and gained proficiency in several programming languages. This newfound passion for coding led to my involvement in various projects. Consequently, I began to shift my focus away from dropshipping in order to prioritize my coding skills.

The year 2023 has brought further advancements in my educational journey. I undertook the Duolingo test, achieving a score of 75, while also diligently honing my coding abilities, particularly in Python. It was during this time that I stumbled upon a video featuring Andrew Ng, a renowned professor from Stanford University, discussing artificial intelligence. His insights and expertise captivated my interest, prompting me to delve deeper into the world of artificial intelligence through YouTube tutorials and courses. On August 3rd, I enrolled in classes at CACMS, with the intention of building a solid foundation to pursue a formal education in artificial intelligence.

My educational journey has been marked by twists and turns, with experiences in entrepreneurship, self-discovery, and skill development. These experiences have culminated in my aspiration to study artificial intelligence and contribute to the ever-evolving field of technology. Despite the challenges and diversions, I believe that my unique journey has equipped me with a diverse skill set and a strong sense of determination that will be invaluable in my pursuit of a career in artificial intelligence.