I wonder how masses all over the world have adapted to the drastic changes brought over by the advent of several revolutionary technologies. The advancements in technologies have brought about great improvement in all sectors like business, medicine, transportation, civil works and a lot more. It is undeniable that it has increased productivity and efficiency of organisations employing thousands of people around the globe. The one technology that has changed the modus operandi of businesses and also of humans is the **Computer**. It is very evident how computers have changed the way of life. Concepts like databases and data banks have eased the burden on business organisations to store information in a simple and organized manner. The term ‘software’ is on everyone’s lips today. The field of software development offers a plethora of opportunities to successfully learn and also build a career. **“The endless possibilities of exploring new avenues every day and the invaluable knowledge are what I find most interesting about Software Development”**. Keeping up a curious and explorative attitude, I believe, leads to a constant learning process. This approach adds to the already colossal potential for innovation that exists in this field.

Reminiscing my days at high school, I yearned to be as proficient as possible in field of computers. During my high school days, the choice of Biology over Computer Science as an optional subject, did not affect my liking of computers. First of all, I was basically good at gaming and later on, the urge to become a professional in the field of computers drove me to acquire priceless knowledge about computer hardware, programming languages, new applications and the pedigree of various Operating Systems. So I decided to choose Computer Science as my major for my Bachelors’ degree. But choosing a particular sub-field was difficult for me. Many people and many factors urged me to take up hardware design as a career, but the simplicity of programming languages was the only unparalleled reason that made me choose software development as my career goal.

My course was a Bachelors’ degree programme in Computer Science from the **University** **of** **Mysore**, that included the study of various programming languages like C, C++, C# and Java. I also learnt concepts of RDBMS using MS Access and MySQL Server. Programming on 8085 microprocessor was very crucial. Knowing that the learning curve to achieve professional excellence in this field to be very steep, I pushed myself even harder. And my attention was stolen by **Java Technology**. The ease with which one could write multi-threaded programs and the platform independency made me a huge fan of Java. **Write Once; Run Anywhere** (**WORA**) became my motto. Due sufficient lack of quality guidance from the faculty, the burden of learning on my own gave me self-confidence that anything could be achieved by just pure dedication and hard work. After **Java SE**, my focus shifted towards web applications and I studied Servlet and JSP technology. My first project is a **simple music player** application using **Java Media Framework (JMF) 2.1**. My second project though was bit more complex, which is an application used for video conferencing based on **JMF’s Real-Time Transport Protocol.**

Unfortunately I had to discontinue my studies during the final semester in 2009 due family to issues. The only alternative was to work and continue my studies. I got this golden opportunity when I joined **NIIT**, Bangalore on 21st April, 2010, as a technical trainer. I attended a lot many training sessions on various technologies like Java SE and Java EE. We, trainers were also taught about student management skills. A trainer’s job made me realize how important my responsibility was, in helping students develop a platform for their careers. My group leader and colleagues helped me become a better and confident trainer. I have also trained recruits of top software companies CGI and CognizantTechnology Solutions on Java SE, Servlet and JSP technology etc, and this has helped me immensely. These experiences matter, thanks to my Managing Director, Mr Nagesh Alegowda whose constant encouragement and belief in me, helped me make ventures into new fields. Clearing Microsoft’s vendor certification exams for .NET Framework 3.5 was a gargantuan task and it was achieved with diligence. The result of any industrious work is always sweet, thus I earned my status as **Microsoft Certified Technology Specialist in ASP.NET** and **Microsoft SQL Server 2008** and also as **Microsoft Certified Professional Developer** for **.NET Framework 3.5**. I have also applied for the status of **Microsoft Certified Trainer**.

All these little successes were eclipsed by the fact that I didn’t have a Bachelors’ degree. So I convinced my parents to help me get a quality education. So, I wish to earn a **Bachelors’ degree** in Computer Science and follow that up with a **Masters’ degree** in the same field. I will have to demonstrate to you that I am an excellent candidate for the Computer Science program. I can promise you that I will take full advantage of the program and make you proud of the contribution that I will make to the field. Even though India is already a leader in technology, we have a huge demand for skilled software professionals and trainers. To fulfil my dream of being a trainer in the field of IT, I think that this is the opportunity to pursue my studies in Computer Science, again. I hope the admissions committee will find me worthy of admission and financial support so that I can achieve my goals.

I carry along a strong grasp of fundamentals in Computer Science, an aptitude for teaching and team work, a zest for challenges and an undying desire to learn all I can. I would like to take with me, in addition to the knowledge of software development, the lasting relationships with my teachers and fellow-students. I hope that my background and qualifications are found suitable for a Bachelors’ degree in Computer Science at Johannes Kepler University.

If you can add one last para about your short term goals and long term goals.....like where do you see yourself in the next 5 years and 15 to 20 years down the line.....I hope the SOP will be all fine and good.