**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

I have been working in IT Industry for around 4 years as a Full Stack developer. Continuous advances in technology and my exposure and penchant for research aspire me to upgrade my skills to be in sync with the fast-changing world. Hence making my decision of pursuing Master of Science in Software Engineering at the [California State University](http://extension.fullerton.edu/), Fullerton an obvious choice.

My interest in web application and software’s started in high school, when I first encountered websites and was wondering how these things work and how they are developed. My fascination and interests became more focused when I choose computer science engineering in under graduate.

As an undergraduate Computer Science Engineer, my major project was the development of “Fuzzy Search Algorithm”. It was a good opportunity for me to acquire new skills and information, which help me to adapt to the evolving technologies, as well as pique my interest in innovation. This project gave me an insight of recent technologies and how to write efficient algorithm to use in real world problems. Along with the academics, I was also a part of technical community of college technical fest and organised many events such as Technical quizzes, coding competition and gaming tournaments.

After completing my undergraduate education, I felt the need to gain some practical experience of working in IT industry, hence motivating me to accept an employment offer with Accenture Solutions Pvt. Ltd. – a global fortune 500 company. Accenture, with its rich heritage in consulting and technology has provided me ample opportunities to gain domain specific knowledge. During my tenure with Accenture, I worked with renowned client called Cox which helped me to be flexible and adapt to different environments and scenarios along with gaining knowledge in Telecom domain and technologies. My first project was for Cox which gave me an opportunity to work on Backbone.js, REST Web services, SQL, Java/J2EE, Service Oriented Architecture, Web Services, JavaScript frameworks and experienced different flavour of niche technologies. This exposure further advanced y interest towards Information System. This enabled me to gain confidence and also encouraged me to shoulder bigger responsibilities.

My competency and quick learning ability earned me the prestigious “Stellar Award (2014)” by Accenture CMT industry group.

I am currently employed as a Software Engineer at MasterCard, a leader in global payments and a technology company that connects billions of consumers, thousands of financial institutions. MasterCard, with its rich technological solution product has provided me ample opportunities to gain payment domain specific experience and helped me to gain a technical expertise. I also contribute to the team in training new members, gathering & conveying information from lead architects and also play an important role in designing technical solution.

My ultimate career goal is to join an IT firm as a software engineer or manager in industry, helping my team to develop high performance and robust software and follow good methodologies, software standards, implementation and management of software process, collaboration and teamwork, critical thinking and problem solving. I also believe that on my way to achieve my goal, I will express my talents and interests in contributing to society’s prosperity. In my current position as a developer, I have realized my potential into this field, and a masters in Software Engineering will certainly help me in achieving my goals and targets which I have set for my professional career.

Cal State Fullerton’s Accelerated Master of Science in Software Engineering will prove a major milestone in nurturing my interests. As it is an accelerated course it will help me in achieve my goals sooner. Cal State Fullerton focuses on understanding the real–world business issues and resolving them through advanced technical management skills. I strongly believe, your graduate program would not only help me to keep my pulse on requirements and developments in Software Engineering but will prepare me for bigger global opportunities.