## **APPING DATABASE**

## **Personal Details**

• Name / Roll no : Gautam Salhotra

CPI/DR: 8.4 (in Dec) / ~10

GRE Score (Vocab+Quant+Essay Writing): 1470 / 4

• TOEFL Score: 113

• Any papers published/How many?and what are they? Title and publication:

 Professors from whom recos are taken/For what did he give recommendation/How good the reco was/ Ne comments on the reco given by your professor?

Prof Ramesh Singh: DDP Guide Prof. Bhartendu Seth: Seminar

Bryce: Intern boss

## Universities

Which univs did you apply to and for which program (Plz list in the decreasing order of the importance you gave to universities)

University	Field	PhD/MS/	TA/RA/Fellow/admit/
		Combined	Reject/other
Stanford	ME	MSPhD	Reject
U Mich	ME	MSPhD	Reject
UT Austin	ME	MSPhD	Admit
GATech	ME	MSPhD	Other
Cornell	ME	MSPhD	Reject
UCSB	ME	MSPhD	Reject
UPenn	ME	MSPhD	Other
Tufts	ME	MS	Schol

3) On what basis did you choose the universities? USNEWS/Peers/Professors/Visited all sites? Also if you have any comments regarding what are the characteristics of that particular school for ex. Good research oppurtunities, good faculty, high imp to GRE, etc *USnews, Profs* 

University	Future Related Comments	Selection related	
	(Good research, etc)	comment(GRE score)	

- 5) Did you send suck mails? How useful are they? Any fundae regarding those? Nope. I only sent mails to profs after I got an admit to their univ
- 6) What were the other options open for you? JOB(where), IIM? Etc *Deloitte*.
- 7) Which app are you choosing? Why?
- UT. Best offer I got.
- 8) What was your BTP/DDP/MTP Topic? Who was your guide? Seminar guide? Why chose him?

Prof Ramesh Singh (Modelling the machining characteristics of Pyrolytic Graphite)
Prof Seth (Regenerative Braking Strategies)

9) If you can share you SOP? Please send it to me.

(You may say that SOP is to be written by self which is absolutely true. But after writing a SOP by self, it can be very well polished by looking at other SOPs, I plan to put a word of caution for all the people (juniors) not to copy our SOPs blindly and advise them to write it on your own and use our SOPs only for reference.)

I think it's best if the applicant writes his own SOP and then gets it reviewed, especially by faculty.

- 10) Any other inputs/comments concerning app?
- Avoid copying SOPs.
- Faculty have lots of fundae on apping. Ask your BTP/DDP guide things, but also ask others and get a more holistic perspective.
- (Saw this on Tejas V's app form) Good CPI and publications help a lot. They increase your chances of app over other candidates. Some good univs will look if you've got publications.