

What Makes You Unique College Essay Example

Being unique encompasses the beliefs, character traits, and even physical attributes of a person that make him or her different from other people. It's about standing out from a crowd.

First, I am an 18-year old girl with a great passion for computers. I was raised in Dallas, Texas, where we live with my Dad and step mother. My parents lived a happy life until mum left when she was giving birth to me, and that's as far as I know. Since then, dad and our step mum have been the pillars of our life – my two elder brothers and I. The whole experience has taught me to be a person who appreciates life. I have a passion for other people and I believe anyone can be the best they want to be as long as they are dedicated to it. As a matter of fact, this is my major mantra in life; that I can achieve all my life dreams as long as I am committed in pursuing them.

I guess growing up with the boys gave me the urge to be daring. The three of us were fond of playing games on our dad's desktop computer. We had several video games and dad bought us a play station, probably to make us leave his computer alone. However, I still had a strong desire to know how the computer worked. I wanted to check why buttons and commands were obeyed by a mere machine. My life has always revolved around this issue. It's made me a truth seeker and this is the primary reason why I am applying for a chance to study computer science and engineering. I want to know the science behind one of the greatest inventions in the history of the universe: the computer.

In this quest for knowledge about computers, I have gone extra miles. I've removed the screws and opened up dad's computer just to stare at wires. Yes, at the age of 10, I touched a bare wire and the next minute, I was receiving medical services at the hospital. Interestingly, and perhaps surprisingly, that did not stop me. My dad tried to dissuade me from electronics but I just couldn't help it. Eventually, he gave up on separating me from this strong passion. I was maverick, literally, and I guess that sums up my desire for this course.

Throughout my school life, other students simply referred to me as 'the comp girl'. It felt odd for them as they believed that I had misplaced hobbies. They believed that coding and computer repair was for men, and I felt an urge to challenge that. Well, I guess I won that argument so many times that they just called me the comp girl. It was me they always called when they needed a quick fix or troubleshoot. And I happily did that. It reassured me that I was on the right path to realizing my dream of becoming a computer wizard.

Noteworthy however, my life hasn't been all about computers. I have unquenchable love for camping and swimming, as well as football. I never miss a chance to participate in voluntary activities, probably a virtue I have learnt from my family's staunch Christian traditions. At 18, I haven't traveled much (if travelling is visiting foreign countries). However, I have interacted with several people at school, church, and other fora. As a team player, I know how to respect other people and I'm not the kind of person to find in fights. I love children, and I intend to use the knowledge I gather from the university to create a functional app for taking care of them.