

Graduate Personal Statement

My passion to learn knowledge of finance began taking shape when I first started working as an engineer at the Siam Ceramic Group's Thai Ceramic Roof Tile, gaining exposure to business environment. Have been passing through variety of project and daily job. I have been gradually realized that my aptitude toward mathematics and calculation are predominate among any others; little by little my craziness toward numbers became significant. In addition, I have always spent most of my free time studying about stock exchange and economics. Finally, I spend half of my savings on buying some shares in Thailand Stock Exchange; I initially became a value investor. Consequently, taking further study in Finance has been gradually come across my mind.

Many engineers that change their field of career into finance strived to the top executives in financial industries. Yet the one that I admire the most is Dr. XXX, recent governor of the Bank of Thailand and also senior alumni of Engineering Faculty at Chulalongkorn University. Like him, I also have a strong ambition to thrive to be top executive in finance institution. I am inspire by him that we, engineers, are able to transfer skills and knowledge of mathematics to be superb in finance boundary.

Looking back, I have always been regarded as an academically brilliant, having been always among the top 5% in mathematics courses throughout my school and university education. Firstly, my passion of mathematics led me choose Engineering as the undergraduate program. I obtained a GPA of 3.18 on the scale of 4. As an engineering undergraduate, I concentrated on getting a firm background in mathematics. I did so brilliant in many mathematical courses such as Linear Algebra, Calculus, Differential Equations and Statistics. All of these subjects provided me a strong analytical and problem solving skills required to excel in the profession of finance. I have been also fascinated by Spreadsheets software like MS Excel, Analytical Software like MATLAB and Programming languages include Java, Visual Basic.

I was fortunate to continue an internship project using Visual Basic to create program that calculate plant shutdown cost with Thai Oil Co.,Ltd. Moreover, throughout my engineer profession, I have always been assigned to calculate and create complex formula in MS Excel. I have always enjoyed and been strong in area that require problem solving, analytical and mathematical skill. I hope that combination between the knowledge of and aptitude for these skills and interest in finance would allow me to be proficient in this field of career.

In addition, during working at SCG, I had to lead the project assignment which its objective is to increase productivity by reducing gap between rows of tiles. In this cross functional project, I have learnt how to use intrapersonal skill, presentation skill to convince my teammates which gave me a lesson that communication skills are not less important than academics knowledge. However, in the problem solving process, a lot of experiments were trial and most results are not satisfied that made us hopeless and weary. In the moment, motivations from the leader is very crucial; I brought us all the way up to achievement by usually saying supportive word to motivate my teammates. From those, I have been realized that success of organization is not rely only on individual potential and intelligent; however it also depend on efficiency of interpersonal communication, precision and accessibility of data and how well the leaders motivate their subordinates.

From those of my achievements, consequently yield impressive progression. I was award in the end of the first year of working with 2+, which is the highest level of the assessment from my supervisor and 10% wage increase. In the next two years, I was constantly award with the same point, 2+. Therefore, by the end of the third year, I was promoted to the second rank of management level from four of it.

After receiving the master degree, I wish to join a world class institution such as HSBC or Standard Chartered as an analyst. Equipped with the technical knowledge and expertise acquired from Cranfield University, I will be ready for ahead challenges and competitions that is waiting for me.

On top of that, my personal goal is to understand the wide principle of finance and the thorough knowledge of the most recent techniques of corporate finance. I want to combine my recent skills with the knowledge of finance to gain rigidity, well-paid and potential position in this career. The knowledge and skill, that I will acquire form graduate study, would allow me to accomplish my short-range career goals to analyze credit, manage fund, or give assistance to financial institute make a firm decision which company would appropriate for investment. In long-range, the knowledge and skill plus years of experience will support me assisting huge firms in Thailand for designing, implementing and monitoring financial policies. Furthermore, I also would like to study about investment analysis, international finance and global financial markets.

The compulsory course in MSc Finance and Management program and the optional course will allow me to study finance foundation that stretch the boundaries of my comprehension in finance.

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