Considering your lifetime goals, discuss how your current and future academic and...

Why I choose Computer Engineering I have always been fascinated by computers from an early age. My father would time and again remind me of how I used to get excited every time he would come home and start working using his desktop. I would be all over him asking what is this, whats that button for, until finally, he decided to buy me a mini-computer for kids. That changed me as far as his story goes and I never looked back as far as computers were concerned. My love affair with computers had already begun and it was no wonder to everyone, when I settled for computer engineering. However, the main motivators for me to choose computer engineering over mechanical engineering were the following: first and foremost, computer engineering is such a relevant course at this point in time. It is a well known fact that computers are part and parcel of our every day activity. This is one field that is a key driver of innovation in several fields such as education, communication, business as well as entertainment. I am a very curious person and naturally would like to be part of this tremendous change. Secondly computer engineering is a challenging as well as creative field. There are various applications of computer engineering that makes for extremely challenging and creative projects. This is therefore to mean that working as a computer specialist exposes one to such activities as provision of security for extremely sensitive information, development of systems capable of processing scientific data, creation of web-based applications, developing software for innovative mobile devices as well as many more. This makes the work interesting and leaves one yearning and curious for his/her next venture. Thirdly, computer engineering is one of the most lucrative fields in the world. Computer engineers are some of the highly paid

professionals since they are forever in high demand. Thus computer engineering is a dynamic field and is amongst the top fields for exciting and fresh job growth all through the remaining better part of this century. The future, without any doubt, is full of promises and there is no doubt at all that computers are permeating every part of our culture. With technology changing every day, no one can tell for sure what exciting possibilities one's career may take. This therefore makes me want the more, to be in a strategic position where I can contribute in this great transformation of our society, unlike mechanical engineering which lacks that (Garner, 2003).

In addition, I am very particular about my future plans and for this reason I participate in extra-curricular activities regularly. I have been an exceptional student as a motivational speaker since my school age. I have also participated in Speech and Debate competitions so as to hone my public speaking skills and in the process have gotten numerous awards. Currently I am working part time as an intern in the Apache Company and hope to join the company after completion of my studies. This is because Apache offers numerous and in-depth opportunities for training as well as growth so as to make sure that its employees remain abreast with the up to date innovations in the world of computer engineering. The company also has got a world class HR management team which ensures that employees are not only well numerated but also provided with the state of the art equipment to ensure their comfort and well being as they work.

All these experiences have really shaped me in my career direction and will definitely give me an upper hand when I join the industry. Speech and Debate have honed my interpersonal skills and boosted my confidence while

explaining ideas and internship at Apache has prepared me for the real world

of computer engineering (Garner, 2003).

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