Question: Tell us why you applied to the University of Wisconsin Madison. In addition, please include why you are interested in studying the majors(s) you have selected. (upto 650 words)

In 2014 I watched the movie- The social network andwas completed taken by the idea of how a social website started from a college dorm changed the way the world communicated. The movie marked the beginning of my programming journey for I was inspired to create something bigger and better than Facebook.

In order to teach myself to code, I bought books on programming, watched online tutorials and even hastened completion of my course work so I could make time to get help from my school’s computer science teacher. My initial self-learninghad instilled in me the confidence of being able to pull off advanced computer science studies on my own. Hence, when presented with a choice between Economics andComputer Sciencein grade eleven, I decided on the former for I saw this as an opportunity to explore both subjects. I am proud to say that duringthe period of my high school studies, I taught myself four programming languages and even interned with Indian oil to implement my learning.

At Indian Oil, I had the first-hand experience of seeing how automation could increase the efficiency and productivity of seemingly monotonous task. I debuggedJAVAsystems and automated tasks and it was during this time that I recognized and decided on Computer Science as my career.

From an earlier research and writing assignment at school, a full-length paper on e-waste management, I discovered my inclination for research. I am now interested in the area of research in Computer Science and at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, I wish to explore Machine Learning. Given an opportunity,Ialso wish to contribute to the research on projects like the “smart” glass along with Professor Zongfu Yu**. I desire to learn and make an impact in what could be the field’s break through moment.**

Since Wisconsin Madison allows me to combine both my passions – business and computer science- as the school allows the students to take up inter-disciplinary courses.

organizations such as The Hub, it is another factor which reinforced my desire to join this school. The atmosphere at Wisconsin Madison would inculcate in me how to identify emerging technologies to address market and societal needs. In addition to just academics, I am drawn to Wisconsin Madison for other reasons. The TEAM lab at Wisconsin Madison is what excites me the most. Be it using the 3D printers or the water jet cutters, I would finally have the ability to bring all my notebook inventions to life. I wish to further my passion for coding on the Wisconsin Madison’s Enlight computer projects club. I believe the club has a niche for me. Having played basketball for over 8 years, I would also love to take part in the Wisconsin Men’s basketball club and make invaluable contributions. I would thrive in Wisconsin Madison as it’s the only university that provides admirable levels of quantity, quality, and diversity. Moreover, Wisconsin allows its students to study at premier universities around the world.

I believe as a badger, I can unlock my true potential, exploring my current passions and discovering new ones.