My Personal Statement

Biography
First of all, I would like to introduce myself. I am Yati Htun, and I am eager to learn software engineering. As a Burmese citizen, I have been facing numerous challenges, including disruptions in my education due to political issues. Since 2020, all universities in Myanmar have been closed. Despite losing precious time, I never considered giving up on my education.

Education Background
I am an electronic engineering student who attended Thanlyin Technology University. During the two-year closure of the university, I taught myself various programming languages in my spare time by reading IT-related books and using websites like W3Schools. In addition to programming languages, I have also diligently been learning Chinese.

Achievements & Volunteer Experiences
In Myanmar, the tenth standard matriculation exam is crucial and notoriously challenging for all students. Fueled by my fascination with mathematics from an early age, my ambition was to excel in my favorite subject, Mathematics. I dedicated most of my time to math and, despite its enigmatic nature, I achieved distinction. This remains one of my most cherished accomplishments.
My second achievement was receiving the UO People scholarship for Computer Science in 2022. However, due to the online learning system and disruptions in internet and electricity caused by political issues, I reluctantly had to relinquish this opportunity. Nevertheless, I persevered in my pursuit of computer science, continuing to learn and explore the world of coding.
To give back to my local community, I was a member of a Buddhist organization at the university. I actively participated in organizing religious festivals where inspired monks delivered speeches to guide young people in their life journeys. As a volunteer in this organization, I acquired valuable life skills and honed my ability to excel in my responsibilities. In 2022, I volunteered as a teacher at Run Free Education, an organization that offers a plethora of free online courses across various fields each month. In my role as a teacher, I shared my knowledge of the English language with enrolled students, gaining insights into working with individuals from diverse backgrounds and developing strong problem-solving skills.

Strengths and Weaknesses
My talent lies in guiding people to make the right choices and helping them alleviate their anxieties. During the university closures, I provided guidance to many students, assisting them in setting their goals and taking the first steps. With my help, a friend of mine found her path to success. On the other hand, my strength can sometimes be my weakness. I readily share important information,

but some recipients may not fully appreciate the value and complexity of the data I provide. They mistakenly assume that success will come easily, without putting in the required effort.

Study Research Objectives

As mentioned earlier, my passion for mathematics and challenging myself led me to choose software engineering. I am deeply enthusiastic about programming and computer interface-related frameworks and innovations. My initial encounter with the C++ programming language at university left me fascinated by its capabilities. This experience ignited my interest in web development, and my next goal is to delve into artificial intelligence. Therefore, I believe that software engineering is the ideal field to advance my career without accumulating debt.

Future Goals

If given the opportunity to pursue software engineering, I believe this field will provide the foundation for me to embark on a career with vast potential. I aspire to become a successful software engineer who leverages technology to advance humanity. My aim is to contribute to an increasingly advanced world through my technological knowledge. I eagerly anticipate taking my programming skills to new heights and witnessing the improvement in my abilities in the future.