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ECE Fast Track '23

ABOUT ME

Where are you from?

I'm from San Jose, California, and went to Leigh High School.

What are some things you like?

I like reading, various video games, and watching bad movies.

What interested you in electrical engineering?

I really enjoyed the computer science class I took in high school, but wasn't sure I wanted to commit to pure CS since I liked math and physics as well. Electrical engineering seemed like a good blend of those three.

Why did you choose UCLA?

I liked the fact that it was a big school while simultaneously having a small campus - much easier to get around to the many opportunities offered. The strong engineering program however, was the biggest factor in my decision.

UCLA EXPERIENCE

What do you like doing at UCLA?

Exploring all the parts of campus was really fun. Finding a new best study spot every other week was satisfying.

What about clubs?

I'm in Bruin Supermileage, and last year was in UAS. I also went to the ACM-AI seminars that were offered in fall quarter. Clubs provide a great opportunity to meet people outside of your classes.

What about your research experience?

I began research during the summer of freshman year, and continued through the academic year. I've really enjoyed being able to see how the things I learn in my classes can be applied outside of them.

What is your favorite aspect of the Fast Track program?

I love the community that's been formed from it, and talking to people who are taking nearly the same classes and having similar experiences is helpful.

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

What are your career plans?

I'd like to go into industry after getting my Masters, which will probably be in EE. I'm still not entirely sure what specific aspect of EE I want to pursue as my career.