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PREFACE

Stories of graduation season begin in April.

Among the graduates, some are going to prestigious universities for further study, some are ready to enter the film industry, and some are devoted to public welfare ...

As WKUers, start here, go anywhere

Follow your dreams.

The best is yet to come



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ZHA YIWEN: BECOMING A "HARVARD GIRL"

Major: English
Prospects after Graduation: Harvard Graduate School of Education
Proofreader: Holly Oberle

Recently, Zha Yiwen, a senior student from the Department of English at Wenzhou-Kean University (WKU), received an admission letter from the Harvard Graduate School of Education. In the U.S. News Education rankings, Harvard Graduate School of Education has repeatedly ranked first in the world. Prior to this, Zha had received a scholarship offer from Vanderbilt University, a member of the New Ivies.

How did she make it into Harvard? In the interview, Zha Yiwen mentioned several times, "I am not one of those traditional straight-A students and even my GPA is not the best. The reasons for my acceptance to Harvard can be attributed to good TOEFL and GRE scores, and the rich and colorful experiences of my college life."

GPA IS NOT THE ONLY CRITERION TO VALUE STUDENTS' PERFORMANCE

Reflecting on the moment when she received the admission letter from Harvard, Zha spoke frankly, "when reading the texts of the email, it was unbelievable to me. As I didn't expect to be admitted, I was relatively calm. My previous target was Columbia University and I have already received a scholarship offer from Vanderbilt University."

In fact, Harvard University was not on the list of Zha Yiwen's applications at the beginning, as she mentioned, "I'm not an absolute straight-A student. My GPA is only 3.3+ in my first year at WKU and then scrambles to 3.8+. This is not the best even in the English Department. While Harvard University, being the oldest university in the U.S., has cultivated eight U.S. Presidents, including Franklin Roosevelt and Barack Obama, and among all Harvard alumni, professors and researchers, 160 of them are Nobel laureates." (Harvard has the most Nobel prizewinners).

Why does she attract the attention of so many first-class universities even though she is not the best? Recently, Zha's parents were bombarded with questions on the secret to success.

Zha concluded herself, "I think this should be related to my rich

college experiences, good GRE and TOEFL scores, plus strong recommendation letters written by the WKU professors."

Taking a closer look at her university experiences, like most WKU students, she devoted her time to public welfare, participated in community service, volunteered projects, and translates documents for the university departments. She was the only freshman student who participated in the Wenzhou Youth Interpretation Competition and entered the semi-finals. As a sophomore, she participated in the National Interpreting Contest and won the second prize in the Zhejiang Provincial Tournament, the third prize in Eastern China. In her third year of university, she once again won the third prize in the National Interpreting Contest – the Zhejiang Provincial Tournament.

FOLLOW YOUR PASSION, NEVER GIVE UP

In April 2019, the students of the English Department at WKU started a journal named "ECHO-ENG". Zha Yiwen was one of the student founders. As the head of the student editorial board, with the joint efforts of the team, she also designed the logo, featuring the Chuitai Mountain. Despite lacking experience, the ECHO-ENG young people are innovative. They managed the



complete publication process, from writing proposals, soliciting manuscripts, reviewing, revising, and typesetting, to the final delivery to the students. This journal involves topics about reading, speaking and writing, includes 16 academic papers, and has been praised by the Dean of the College of Liberal Arts of WKU. Through this practice, Zha not only gained a deeper and comprehensive understanding of academic, but also became familiar with the editing of journals and magazines, fulfilling her dream of being a writer.

Speaking of Zha Yiwen, her classmates said that she was always calm when dealing with things. Mao Siqi, the team leader of this English journal mentioned, "She has a very cheerful personality and is serious in work and willing to discuss with others. She is also a 'Doer', who will take action quickly. Besides, she never gives up what she loves and what she is passionate about."

In the summer after her freshman year, Zha Yiwen signed up for AIESEC's Sawasdee Thailand Project 24, and she went to a primary school in Suphan Buri, Thailand, teaching local children English. As she was the only volunteer from China in that school, she spoke English every day during that one and a half months. The school conditions were not ideal but she was not afraid of hardships. In the end, she had a lovely time with the local children and taught them some simple Chinese.

In daily life, Zha Yiwen, just like other girls of the same age, loves reading novels, prefers horror movies and animation, and is crazy about drinking milk tea. She dubbed it "the light of my life, the calling of my deep desire." What leads to her positiveness,

Zha is grateful for her parents' upbringing, which left a profound impact on her, especially her father. "He will be satisfied only if I could be happy. Although I have a strict mother, they respect almost all my decisions. It is their recognition that encourages me to be independent."

THE BIGGEST SURPRISE FROM WKU--COURAGE

"Before I came to WKU, I also thought that Harvard and Columbia were something out of reach." said Zha Yiwen. She always wanted to be a WKUer back in high school. Although she failed in the initial Three in One Test interview, she was eventually admitted to WKU after the College Entrance Examination. She made the right choice. At WKU, she not only improved her English skills, but also opened her eyes toward the outside world. The new platform gave her the courage and ability to move to a larger global stage.

In her junior year, Zha went to Kean USA for a semester through a school exchange program. At the class of Creative Writing, Zha was the only Chinese student in the class. At first, she was not confident in her spoken English. Until later, an American student in her class encouraged her, "Your spoken English is quite good, and your grammar and writing ability is even better than me." Until then, she realized that in fact, after practicing in the American learning style which emphasizes expression and discussion, she had already opened the door toward more opportunities.

And all these were been verified by her English examination results. The full marks in the TOEFL are 120 points. Zha scored 114 points, including 30 points for reading and listening, and 29 points for writing. And her GRE scored 326 points, which made it possible for her to apply for the best college education in the world.

Zha Yiwen said with a big smile: "At that time, I also took a three-day tour to Harvard in America. I did not expect that I would become a member of it soon." When it comes to the future, this positive girl says she wants to be a teacher or an excellent translator or interpreter, and all these are reachable now.

JIN XIAOTIAN: STRAIGHT TO PH.D. WITH FULL SCHOLARSHIP, HOW DID THIS STRAIGHT-A STUDENT SPEND HIS LIFE IN THE UNIVERSITY?

Major: Computer Science

Prospects after Graduation: King Abdullah University of Science & Technology

Proofreader: Holly Oberle

Recently, Jin Xiaotian, a senior student majoring in Computer Science and Technology has received an admission letter from King Abdullah University of Science & Technology to pursue his PhD with full scholarship. This university is often regarded as the “Arab MIT”, an international private research university specializing in science and engineering, and is one of the universities with the lowest acceptance rate in the world. Only 200-250 students are selected from 10,000 to 12,000 applicants each year.

King Abdullah University of Science and Technology is the only university that Jin applied for. How did he make it? How did he spend his college life?



INTEREST IS THE BIGGEST MOTIVATION

Jin Xiaotian has participated in programming and information competitions since middle school. His college entrance examination score was 30 points above the Tier-1 cut off of Zhejiang Province and he has always been passionate about mathematics and computers throughout his university life, even now as he is pursuing his MSC in Statistics. Jin said, “I will continue to study in my favorite subject and I am very excited about it.”

CHOOSE YOUR FAVORITE LEARNING VIBE

Wenzhou-Kean University is his first choice. The reason why he applied for WKU was that he believed that the international environment was the biggest advantage. Jin Xiaotian mentioned that faculty here at WKU were international, and the curriculum was international, as well as the instruction. At WKU, the small-size classroom, all-English teaching environment, group cooperation and other teaching methods are of great benefit to his study. And all these have made WKU an attractive learning environment.

ADOPTING RIGHT METHOD SAVES EFFORT AND LEADS TO BETTER RESULTS

In the four years of college, Jin’s average grade point reached 3.762 (4.0), by which he can be regarded as one of the best students in his major. At the same time, he won the first prize of the Dean’s Scholarship and had served as a peer tutor for two years in WKU’s Student Academic Support Services Center, responsible for one-to-one computer and math tutoring. He also served as a student

assistant to both the Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and the Head of the Technology Department of Science and Technology Society.

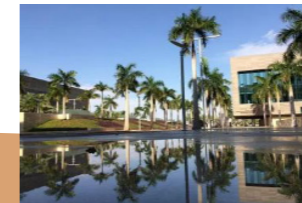
During the four years in the college, he has his own insight of study: to learn more with less efforts by adopting clever methods.

Jin Xiaotian said, “It is not enough to learn the content in the textbook. It is necessary to make full use of foreign resource platform in the university and take this advantage to tap all available learning resources.” He highly recommends platforms like Coursera and Edx, especially MIT OCW, which he noted examination as particularly beneficial because of the high-quality courses from MIT.

He also said that it was important and conducive to communicate with professors. As an introvert, Xiaotian admits that he was often afraid to speak directly with his professors, but after stepping outside his comfort zone he began talking to them and found that they were very friendly. Also, having more contacts with professors, one may have the opportunity to participate in professors’ projects. It is helpful for graduate school application or employment .

TAKE UNIQUE PATH, WIN UNEXPECTED GAINS

King Abdullah University of Science and Technology, sounds relatively new to many people. Jin said that most of his classmates chose European, American and Japanese universities when deciding to study abroad, but he voted a university in the Middle East, which is an unusual choice. He mainly valued its strength in science and technology and excellent research vibe, luckily he had unexpected gains.



King Abdullah University of Science and Technology was established in 2009. It owns the world’s top scientific research equipment and laboratories, and it currently recruits masters and doctoral students globally. It has witnessed the fastest development in terms of paper citation rate among the academic institutions, winning it the title of “House of Wisdom” (Holy Land of Wisdom) and “Arab MIT”.

With his wonderful academic performance, high TOEFL scores, and achievements in programming and information, Jin Xiaotian was admitted by the Straight-to-PH.D program of King Abdullah University of Science and Technology, and also received a full scholarship. How to successfully apply to this university? Jin noted that the school attached great importance to the applicant’s academic research experience, research interests, GPA scores, etc. He had three rounds of interviews, including interviewing with the mentor and academic officer. If one wants to apply for a school, he/ she needs to make every effort, and prepares carefully, improves GPA and English, and meanwhile, displays the potentials in research.

For the school, Jin Xiaotian said that the most precious gift left by WKU was independence. The international environment and independent spirit gave him numerous possibilities. Kind and friendly classmates and teachers are the greatest wealth that WKU has given him. To the end, Jin said that learning is a life-long endeavor. Learning gives him more choices in the future, and he hopes that he can return to the campus with glory and has a reunion with teachers and classmates.

ZHANG JIARONG: THE BEST IS YET TO COME

Major: Finance

Prospects after Graduation: Columbia University

Proofreader: Abbigail Ajim

Currently, at the peak hiring seasons, senior student Zhang Jiarong in Finance major has won the recognition of Columbia University, Boston University, Johns Hopkins University, Brandeis University, New York University, the University of Warwick, and Boston College. With 7 offers in total, she has become the outstanding representative among her peers.

She has maintained her GPA above 3.8 for four years, worked as an overseas volunteer after school, served as the Chairman of overseas volunteer project department during her time at WKU.

"Study is first, play is second. Making full use of time without regrets," is Zhang's best description of her college life.

WENZHOU-KEAN, A GREAT PLATFORM WHICH EMPHASIZES ONE'S SELF-LEARNING ABILITY

What was the experience of studying at WKU?

Zhang revealed that "there is certain competition here, but at the same time, the competition stimulates one's motivation."

In her opinion, studying at WKU can greatly improve the ability of self-learning, because class scores account for a large part of the total score. This kind of evaluation model requires students to engage in every course.

"Almost every professor has their own rules about participation. In order to interact efficiently in class, we need to prepare before class which involves reviewing our previous class. This is also very helpful to deepen our understanding on key points."

Zhang said that in her sophomore year, she was once reluctant to have interaction. "I was not prepared enough, afraid of making mistakes, and I didn't have the confidence to communicate with professors at that time. So, I had to make full preparation before class. When I started asking questions and repeated the process several times, I suddenly realized that it wasn't as hard as I thought it would be. My lack of self-confidence overwhelmed me."

In addition, Zhang believes that it is important to know well about teachers. At the beginning of the course and the course-selection process, students should get to know about teachers' teaching methods for example.

EXPLORE THE WORLD, TAKE AN ACTIVE PART IN EXTRA-CURRICULUM ACTIVITIES

In the winter vacation of her sophomore year, Zhang went to Indonesia and began a one-and-a-half months volunteer program.

During that period, she went to five local primary and secondary schools, teaching children courses on culture.

For the first time, she spent more than a month alone in a foreign country. The local customs, religious beliefs and living customs were strange to her at first. She experienced culture shock. But since then, she better understood the world and decided to explore it! She felt a special sense of accomplishment when she found those children showing an

interest in Chinese culture and China.

She also served as the Chairman of WKU's overseas volunteer program and was responsible for recruiting WKUers for suitable volunteer programs. In her view, this work is similar to managing a real company. She stressed that crisis management and team management were her biggest challenges.

Wise enough, she quickly summed up and created her own methods.

She drew up her weekly training content, designed clear flow charts, established a group competition mechanism, a work progress assessment and follow-up system. Under her leadership, her team recruited nearly 200 students in summer and 80 in winter to participate in the winter/summer overseas volunteer recruitment activities on campus, and more than 250 students applied to join the club.

Zhang admits that this experience not only gave her a sense of responsibility, but also helped her develop an interest in her career.

"This work stimulates my interests in jobs like operations/marketing, which also helped me find the direction of my future internship and further study direction at the postgraduate level," said Zhang.

THE BEST IS YET TO COME

As a famous Ivy League university, Columbia University is one of the five oldest universities in the United States, and one of the universities with the largest number of Nobel Prize winners. It ranked No. 3 among the best universities in the U.S. News 2019.

The offer from Columbia University, is undoubtedly the best affirmation of Zhang's excellence.

She also shared her application experience during the interview process: firstly, one needs to work hard to ensure good GPA; secondly, one should accumulate more experience in internship

and practical projects to improve personal skills.

"Some people may only apply for one major, but some people may try a variety of majors, and I am the latter."

Zhang said that she applied both British and American universities, including Marketing, Management, Economics & Finance, Business Analysis etc. Therefore, the contents of the documents prepared are not exactly the same, and various types of cases need to be used to reflect my experience and ability in each field. I think more project/internship experience will enrich your application."

She suggested that high-quality projects drafted in compulsory courses can be adopted in application documents and interviews. She added that schedule is essential for application.

Finally, adequate interview preparation is also significant. "The Columbia interview took me the longest time to prepare. After searching various interviews online, I prepared about 20 examples/experiences to cope with various problems.

As for the future, Zhang hopes to head for Data Analysis/Market Analysis and to make a breakthrough in the consulting industry.



DENG YAQI: A DREAMER WHO NEVER STOPS

Major: Accounting

Prospects after Graduation: Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Limited

Proofreader: Abbigail Ajim

As a Sino-Foreign University, 60% of WKU graduates choose to further study abroad. You might wonder how about the rest of students? Deng Yaqi's answer is working in one of the most famous Accounting Companies-Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Limited.

WKU: A GATE TO A NEW WORLD

For you, what is the best gift left by WKU? Yaqi believes that it was the opportunity to explore the world.

She had an impressive experience during her first summer vacation, when she started voluntary teaching in Sri Lanka. The conditions there were rather tough. Without a bed, she could only put a mattress on the ground. The window had no glass fitted, and mosquitoes and spiders were everywhere; besides, there was no hot water.

"Although I enjoy being around with children, I still felt overwhelmed with eight lessons per day. I went out every morning with full vitality, but returned completely worn out."

Deng described this experience as "unforgettable". I believe what made this experience impressive is not the hardship, but the beautiful land and hospitable and friendly residents.

The Buddha statues on the campus and the red small stones pave, the birdsong accompanied by the sound of the Buddha every morning enabled her a deeper understanding of this country; the children of Sri Lanka didn't watch TV or play mobile phones, instead, they were more likely to play volleyball, play games, fly kites outdoors after class, frequently in muddy but always with a smile on face. They lived an imaginary childhood that she dreamed of; the Lanka people were warm-hearted and

friendly, for example, when several volunteers casually greeted, "Have you eaten yet?" "Wanna eat together?" Those local teachers and their relatives would invite dozens of friends to come for dinner, which shocked the volunteers.

Before leaving, the children all around her were reluctant to let her go, and sent her small gifts made by themselves: bracelets, necklaces, and headdresses...

For her, this experience teaches her a vivid lesson that everything is reciprocal, may not equivalent to material reward, but sometimes a sense of spiritual satisfaction instead. All those inspire her to move further to help others.

Last year, Deng, led by Dr. Candy and Dr. Ho, went to Japan to participate in the International Conference on Business, Big Data and Decision Science at Tokyo University of Science, ICBBDD. She spoke and presented papers at the conference, in which gathered many top industry leaders and scholars.

The group that she was in took Hema Xiansheng as a case to discuss how China has regained offline retailers' sales after a large number of online e-commerce companies having seized the sales market and caused a huge impact on offline retailers. "We had been doing survey to obtain data for nearly a year, because there were a few academic achievements on related

topics, so the whole process was quite tough."

At the conference, their research attracted many great scholars. The academic atmosphere of the conference and the academic spirit of the scholars impressed Deng and gave her deeper insights on her project. Through this journey, she was able to see the most cutting-edge views and technologies, to interact with the top scholars in person, and to embrace unprecedented opportunities.

A "DREAMER" WHO NEVER STOPS

Speaking of a list of activities organized by her when she worked as a student ambassador, she mentioned the word "experience" several times, "working as the student ambassador gave me various experiences and allowed me to meet many big names in each field, who are doing something really interesting and inspiring, I can't wait to join."

As Deng values personal experience, she strives for more opportunities given by WKU to enrich herself. And at the same time, as a "dreamer", she has put all her wild thoughts into action. Masquerade, color running & electronic music festival, book collection battle, reading party, christmas alma mater ... Each event was an adventure tour for her.

Besides, she is high self-demanding. She would check on each process in every activity organized by her, making it as best as possible. "Although it could be tiring, all team members would be there for each other and support each other. As the event proceeded, our friendship moved deeper, by the end, we could feel a sense of accomplishment.

The first time she led a Campus Tour left her deepest impression. "The first time I led an English CT, the visitor was Prof. Dr. Blair, who came to WKU from the United States. I was very nervous during the whole process, and I made some mistakes. Dr. Blair is a kind gentleman, and he listened to me patiently. When he knew that this was my first time I worked as an English CT, he kept encouraging me."



This journey was not even close to success, but she was highly inspired and motivated and had been working diligently since then. With all the efforts, she became more professional either as a participant or an activity organizer. "These activities enriched my life and gave me a sense of leadership. I learned how to increase efficiency as a team via effective communication with my partners."

Four years has passed, this girl who had looked up to great "figures" has gradually grown into somebody herself. At present, she has received an offer from Deloitte Huayong, one of the world's four leading accounting firms.

What are the secrets leading to her success? Why has she been accepted by one of the leading accounting firms? Deng provided some practical suggestions to the younger students: pay attention to school recruitment and participate in short-term internships provided by those companies. The two points are essential to final recruitment.

Facing a fresh new start, Deng has already set a goal for the future. "There are many good business schools abroad requiring work experience, so I want to work hard now to gain some practical experience. In the future, I still want to go out and continue my studies."

XIE HANG: THE ROAD FROM "0" TO "1"

Major: Computer Science

Prospects after Graduation: University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Xie Hang described his April as "A lottery ticket was finally scratched off".

This senior student majoring in Computer Science in WKU finally received four offers from three famous American universities, including Carnegie Mellon University, Duke University and University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Among them, Duke University issued two offers, respectively from Computer Science and Technology and Electronics and Computer Engineering.

Looking back at Xie Hang's college for four years, you will find that his luck has its reasons. GPA3.83, TOEFL 110, GRE331 + 4, publishing four papers in international conferences, serving as a research assistant during junior summer at Notre Dame University, and a guest assistant to Viral Shah, the Founder of Julia Computing..... this is a typical science geek. With his own wisdom and sweat, as precise as computer actuarial science, he is transforming his dream into reality, step by step.



FOUR PAPERS PUBLISHED IN UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

As Xie has been planning to go abroad for further study, he has made a detailed plan for his college life. He devoted himself to his studies. The first row of seats in the classroom had been firmly specified for him. In high school, his English was outstanding. He took GRE in his freshman year, which laid a solid foundation for his future studies. During his undergraduate studies, he published four papers at international conferences, which became the key to his final success.

In July 2018, Xie Hang's big data paper on the analysis of the current situation of autistic children in China was presented at the top conference held in Northwestern University in the United States. In the poster session, he was the only undergraduate and he was surrounded by graduate students from the world's top universities. "That moment can only be described as magic," Xie said.

This series of accumulation also gave him more opportunities. In January 2019, he learned that MIT Technology Review was going to hold EMTECH China 2019 conference in Beijing and its recruitment advertisement. He submitted his application in the first place. His fluent English, rich computer background, and experience of participating in WIN made him successful in the interview and he became an assistant to Viral Shah, CEO of Julia computing. The close contact with the programming master touched Xie Hang, "He is a man with strong self-control, and is very friendly. In his free time, he also taught me how to program. I accompanied him to visit Tencent and the Chinese

Academy of Sciences, both of which used the programming language developed by him to varying degrees, and these experiences have greatly benefited me. "

HARD POWER (SCORE) + SOFT POWER

As computer science (CS) becomes a popular major, the application in CS needs to fight among the best students in China. To win the offer of the world's top prestigious universities, in addition to the "hard power", (GPA, GRE and TOEFL), the "soft power" is the key. And Xie has competitive advantages, so he finally won the admission of two top-5 computer major schools in the United States.

In the end, Xie chose Computer Science and Technology major of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. The boy has his own unique determination. Although Carnegie Mellon University ranks first in the world in computer science, Xie was attracted by the strong reputation of University of Illinois's computer science program. He said: "this major has fewer than ten students enrolled from Chinese mainland in one year, and the employment rate in these years is 100%. Nearly half of the students can enter the world's top technology companies including Facebook. In addition, Professor Han Jiawei, the founder of data mining, is also in Champaign.

In fact, in the summer of 2019, Xie Hang stood out from 400 competitors, and got the opportunity to work as a research assistant in the Center for Research Computing of Notre Dame University. Xie Hang at Notre Dame University was mainly responsible for the sentimental analysis of world news through computers. In two months, he not only published a paper with the team at the 2019 Computational Social Science Annual Conference, but also was greatly appreciated by the professor of the school. The professor invited him to study for the doctor program in this university and wrote a strong recommendation letter for him, which became a powerful bargaining chip for his application to the top computer school.

THE ROAD FROM "0" TO "1"

At the opening day speech of WKU in 2019, Xie Hang shared his experience with the title "The Road from" 0 "to" 1 ". He said that 0 was himself at a loss when first entered the University, while 1 is himself who is really interested in computer science now. It is WKU that makes all these changes possible.

Xie said, "WKU's whole English immersion environment and free and open academic style have made me grow continuously in the past four years. And these changes are made little by little in daily life." At Notre Dame University, when students in other domestic schools were troubled by the language problem, Xie Hang spoke fluent English and he enthusiastically served as an interpreter.

WKU's small-class teaching has a teacher-student ratio of 1:10. Xie Hang is a regular visitor during the professors' office hour. The faculty of the computer department, Professor Tiffany, Professor Pinata and Professor Zhang Changjiang, have guided him from all aspects of scientific research, life and professional knowledge.

In addition, he also found the best companion on the road of learning, they shared learning experience, encouraged each other and grew together. Xie moved to A311 Bamboo Hall when he was at his second year at WKU. When he was a sophomore and junior, he and Mao Yuanqi, the 2019 WKU graduate, were roommates. Mao won four offers from the University of Chicago, Purdue University, Carnegie Mellon University and Wake Forest University, and finally entered the University of Chicago. In his senior year, his roommate changed to Jin Xiaotian, who finally got a PHD offer with a 70,000 US dollars scholarship a year from King Abdullah University of Science and Technology, the richest university in the world.

For the future, Xie Hang has a clear goal. He hopes to change the world through his own project, and we believe that by that time, everything is possible for him.

PAN XIAOYUN: BE OPEN TO ALL POSSIBILITIES

Major: English (International Application)
Prospects after Graduation: The University of Edinburgh

She has many titles: Student Ambassador, Student Trustee Member, Outstanding Student Leader.....

She organized or participated in many activities: the 24th United Nations Climate Change Conference, Dinner with the Chancellor, Color Run, Reading Sharing Session.....

What mattered, she said, was not titles or experiences, but how these experiences shaped her and made her who she is.

MY NEED IS "UNCERTAINTY"

It is said that this year's graduates are the most miserable in history. Affected by the pandemic, Pan Xiaoyun, who holds offers from several foreign universities, is still waiting to see whether she can go abroad for further study. However, she turns passive into active. Majoring in English and minoring in psychology, she is already actively looking for internships related to her majors.

Speaking of why minoring in psychology, Pan told reporters that was purely an "accident". In her junior year, she chose a psychology course among the humanities elective courses provided by the University. At that time, she just thought this subject was interesting. Raquel Stuart, Acting Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, who teaches this course, once told the students of the college to "broaden their horizons and expand their thinking".

Raquel guided students to explore what their basic needs are, which was a question Pan has never seriously considered. Pan said that in Raquel's class, she had a deeper understanding of herself. She realized that "uncertainty" was her fundamental need, and she needed multiple options, not a stagnant life. The knowledge learned in the classroom was not limited to the classroom. Since then, when she makes decisions and

analyzes problems, she will consider the need of "uncertainty". Therefore, she has been actively trying what she has not tried and experiencing what she has not experienced.

"INEVITABILITY" FACILITATED BY VARIOUS "ACCIDENTS"

Pan served as a member of the editorial team of the first student journal, ECHO-ENG, from 2018 to 2019, and successfully contributed to publish two issues of the journal. She said that she never had the experience of running journals before, and the birth of ECHO-ENG was also an "inevitability" promoted by various "accidents".

"Accidents" originated from a translation course she took. Part of the course assignment is to translate the selected chapters in *Tanghe Chronicle*. The English translations by the students provided supplementary materials for the research project of Wen-Rui Tang River Revitalization Assessment Project by Dr. Toby Michelena of the College of Science and Technology. Chapter after chapter, in the accumulation of their assignments, they had the idea of translating the entire book into the English version of *Tanghe Chronicle*.

Students immediately took action with this idea. Pan and her classmates formed a 9-person translation team to work



together, and was supervised by Gary Linebarger, the head of the English Department of the College of Liberal Arts. Now the team's diligent translation work is still in progress, which is a very time-consuming and meticulous work. Before deciding to translate and publish, the students in the group also exchanged ideas with other teachers in the English Department. Professor Gina Roach said that the scope of the published works could be expanded. This proposal also gave Pan and her classmates an inspiration: since the little achievements accumulated in the daily assignments can be published, why not put the English articles written by the students into a volume? In this way, the research reports, poems and short stories written by the students are collected into the Department Journal ECHO-ENG.

GET READY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

In December 2018, Pan participated in the 24th United Nations Climate Change Conference as an NGO observer, and took part in the press conference of her NGO as a Chinese youth representative. She said frankly that she had a longing for becoming a youth representative because she was influenced by her schoolmates' and the seniors' participation in the international conferences.

In her view, participating in the international conferences is

a good opportunity to broaden horizons and explore more possibilities of life. In addition, WKU's All-English and small-class teaching environment trained her spoken English. "WKU is my lucky choice." Pan said. At the conference, she can express her opinions confidently and fluently. From applying to become an NGO observer to becoming a youth representative, from the original intention of going abroad to Poland to take a look, to seeing "what someone is really doing to make changes happen", and taking the climate change conference as an opportunity for communication, in this process, she learned to process and deliver information as a world citizen.

GRASP THE "UNCERTAINTY" OF LIFE

Pan Xiaoyun is very outstanding in student work, as well as academic research. In October 2018, she published articles in academic conferences and corresponding journals (JAHSS). When asked how to balance study and busy student work, she replied: "These (student work) tasks are not given to you temporarily. When I choose to do student work, I have planned how to balance study and work for a long time, I am ready in my heart." This answer is also applicable to the question "Where is the future?" For Pan, she knows how to face changes in the future properly, clarify the source of these changes, and is ready to adapt herself at any time, to meet challenges.



LIU HUAIGU: THE DREAM CATCHER

Major: Marketing Prospects after Graduation: Sony (China) Corporation

On January 16th, the documentary "The Firsts in Life" jointly produced by CCTV Network Video Center and Shanghai Media Group Documentary Center was broadcast simultaneously on CCTV Network, Dragon TV and other platforms. In the list of cast members at the end of the show, Liu Huaigu, a senior majoring in marketing at WKU, appeared in the list of "director assistant". Currently, the documentary has a score of 9.2 on Douban.

In 2018, Liu directed WKU's first graduation micro film "Letter", and participated in the production of CCTV's "The Firsts in Life" in the summer of 2019. Just after 2020, as an intern, he joined the short video We Media team — "Cat's Kitchen", which has 51 million fans ... On the film of life, he expresses with the lens, leaving his own unique image. Nearing graduation, he received the offer from Shanghai Media Group(SMG) and Sony (China) Corporation.

DREAM IS THE BEST BOOSTER

"Don't be limited by your major. Many choices are not set in stone. Practice is the best way to tell you the truth. It can intuitively make you feel whether you are suitable for the industry and job or not." Liu told the journalist. Who would have thought that this young man from Wenzhou, who is walking on the road of film and television production, is a student majoring in marketing? For Liu, every choice in life and every experience will not be useless.

Why does he like photography and filming? His reason is very straight. He is eager to record a state with photos. The states may be a couple meeting, a passerby's hurry, or a crowded bus. Behind

these states, the mixed emotions permeate. Liu imagines the story of the people in the photos, and also looks forward to the stories that the people watching the photos associate with.

Learning the ABC of filming depends on self-study. He drew lessons from videos on YouTube and Bilibili, bought online courses, studied in projects with students from related majors abroad, and also practiced offline in a Wenzhou's local wedding imaging company. Day by day, Liu's works are gradually refined, and the composition and contrast of light and shadow also become more coordinated. On campus, he joined the Public Relations Department of Student Ambassadors, the "Moment" Filming Department of Student Media and Design Center, and produced a series of videos, such as "Breakfast" and "Travel with US". He gradually showed his edge and became the filming expert in WKU. In the summer of 2018, he filmed WKU's first graduation micro film "Letter".

ALWAYS BE PREPARED

The birth of "Letter" made Liu's work presented in front of more audiences for the first time. In the past, he only needed to consider whether the composition was beautiful, but now he has to arrange directing, shooting, editing, color matching, etc., and needs to consider the coordination of the scene and all the work in the later stage. Liu said frankly that these are difficulties he had never imagined. But after getting familiar with the team members, they understood each other better, and the shooting gradually went on the right track. Finally, the micro film won him a significant award, the second prize of the "Moving · Graduation Season" Micro Video Creation Competition. This experience also made Liu realize the importance of teamwork. He realized how helpful it is for

self-improvement by being in the right team.

Opportunities are reserved for those who are prepared. With the previous experiences, he quickly seized the opportunity when it came. When he participated in an event of WKU's innovation network speech platform WIN, he met a guest, who was later the director of "The Firsts in Life". Later, Liu received and agreed to the director's internship invitation. In the professional team of "The Firsts in Life", he plans the progress with the director and occasionally participates in a small part of the shooting. In January of this year, Liu joined the creative team of "Cat's Kitchen". With the combination of "one person, one cat" and a warm and healing style, "Cat's Kitchen" has become the most eye-catching head IP in the domestic gourmet self-media. He admitted that "Cat's Kitchen" is a space for young people to exchange ideas and learn from each other. For him, this is undoubtedly the best stage for him. Now, he is surrounded by fresh knowledge every day, and learning in the team has become an instinct. "If you have an interesting team and work with a group of interesting people, even if the current work is boring and rigid, life will be full of happiness," he said.



SEE THE WORLD THROUGH THE LENS

Looking through Liu's Moments of WeChat, you will find many beautiful photos that can be saved directly as wallpapers. His footprints covers all over the world, and the photos that he takes record various cities. He seldom goes to places of interest, but he is interested in fascinating places that are less known. Liu is keen on photographing local people, and also likes to communicate with them and listen to their stories.

The journey brings you not only visual enjoyment, but also a variety of people. Therefore, every holiday, in addition to traveling, Liu will also go to various summits and expos around the world to find like-minded friends there. In his view, connections, though sound worldly, are real resources. This is exactly what happened when he joined the team of "The Firsts in Life". Today, Liu has traveled through 13 countries and met a group of like-minded partners.

At present, Liu has received the offer from Shanghai Media group(SMG) and Sony (China) Corporation, and he made his decision to accept the offer from Sony. But he is still not satisfied with the status quo. In addition to photography and video production, he also wants to start his own business and set up his own video company in the future.

"Every time I take a picture, every time I send out a resume, every time I go to a country, I am changing." After all, for him, if he dares to chase his dreams, there is nothing impossible!



LI YUNYUN: THE POWER OF 'SHE'

Major: International Business Prospects after Graduation: LISI Group

Ten men banded together in love can do what ten thousand separately would fail in—— Thomas Carlyle

Li Yunyun has done such a thing. She initiated the “WKU Warm Heart Volunteer Team”, which has traveled all over Wenzhou and brought children fun English teaching.

Provincial Excellent Graduates

Wenzhou New youth to the countryside - Advanced Individuals

Wenzhou New youth to the countryside - Excellent Practice Team

Public Service Scholarship - Individual Award

Public Service Scholarship - Group Award

...

Today we come to know the character behind these honors—— Li Yunyun

When it comes to the original intention of starting a volunteer team, Li said that as an ordinary college student, what an individual can do is limited and insignificant, but ordinary individuals can gather into a team and have unlimited power. "I want to carry out voluntary activities regularly and orderly, so that the public welfare can be organized and managed to a certain extent, which is the reason why I initially launched the volunteer team for public welfare." Therefore, Li and WKUers, who are fond of public welfare, set up the "Heart-Warming Volunteer Team". As its name implies, in more than two years, Li has led the volunteer team to carry out more than 30 public welfare activities to give warmth and happiness to the left-behind children and the lonely elderly. "Most of our activities are in

villages and towns far away from the school. At 8 o'clock in the morning, everyone had to take the bus two hours before work. Even so, the team members never complained at all. Because children who came to class were of different ages, Li and the team members need to spend a lot of time preparing lessons before each class, and customized class design according to the needs of children of different grades. Children with poor basis would receive more attention, i.e., Li would give them one-on-one tutoring. In order to enrich the English classroom, Li also integrated calligraphy, painting, etc. into English teaching, increasing the children's learning enthusiasm.

Why is there such a strong interest in public welfare activities? Li said that loving public welfare is a life attitude for her, "this is the most common but powerful thing I can do." Li has always been strict with herself, and tried her best to do what she could do for the society.

What impressed the reporter most was that she knew exactly what she wanted and had a clear self-awareness and plans for herself. "With the further improvement of China's position in the world trade, the demand for professionals engaged in import and export trade will be growing. I think the future development of international business is very promising, and high-level linguistic abilities can help my career." When most of her peers are very confused about the future, Li already has a clear goal and pursuit. "I decided to work in international business in the first year of high school, and I set a goal to study in a university with full English education in the second year of high school."

Li's decision was also supported by her parents. After learning about the international environment and receiving American education in Wenzhou-Kean University, she regarded WKU as her Dream School.

When she first arrived at WKU, the American education that immediately attracted Li, caught her once in a dilemma. "When I was a freshman, my learning schedule was not very reasonable, which led to my poor performance." After a period of exploration, Li noticed that her shortcoming lies in her old-fashioned mind-set, which not only consumes energy, but also leads to poor learning effect.

"The most important thing is to learn to think in English. While immersing in the full English teaching environment, we should also strengthen our critical thinking ability and learn to think independently. " It is not easy for students who have been receiving Chinese education to change the language when thinking. After repeated practice, Li found that her grades rose significantly.

"At the same time, we must also learn to make good use of the power of the team, give full play to the value of the team, and strengthen our team cooperation and learning ability. Because in WKU, we face a lot of team work."

Li, who came to WKU like a sponge, is full of enthusiasm for everything. After listening to the speeches of Nelly Galan, the first Hispanic president of American TV network, and Hollywood producer Yang Yanzi, one of the 50 most influential women in Hollywood, and other global elite women at the Women Economy Summit in Beijing, Li Yunyun was very touched.

"Through this summit, I deeply felt Girl's Power. As women in the new era, they know that their influence on society is becoming stronger and stronger. They break the 'ceiling' step by step, give full play to their potential and support women's better development in the workplace."

Girls with Girl's Power naturally have their own ideas about whether to continue to study or to work after graduation. "I want to see if I am suitable for this industry, so I will not pursue master's degree for the moment. I will work first, and find my own development direction. If I meet with any bottleneck in the future, and need to continue my studies, I will consider going to graduate school. "

Now, Li got the offer from LISI Group, a listed company, to engage in foreign trade business. "My current position and the content of my four-year study in university are particularly matched. I'm very lucky to be able to choose a major I like and get a position suitable for me. This is inseparable from the combination of Chinese and Western education I received, and from my educational experience in WKU and Kean USA. "



CHEN PENGDA: FLYING AGAINST THE WIND

Major: Finance Prospects after Graduation: Duke University

Youth Representative of G20 SMART Innovation Forum
Co-founder of Low Carbon Workshop C-Future
Member of the Chinese Delegation of the World Youth Forum
National Outstanding Award of Voice of the Future, APEC
Excellent Student of the Year of WKU

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Chen Pengda, with multiple titles, has a GPA of 3.98/4. He has won the scholarship of Zhejiang Provincial Government and Dean Academic Scholarship for three consecutive years. Because of his excellent comprehensive quality and performance, he was awarded the 2019 Outstanding Student, 2019 Outstanding Graduate of Zhejiang Province, the School Leadership & Public Service Scholarship, and School Culture, Art and Sports Scholarship. With his own actions, he tells us that youth has infinite possibilities and how to make ordinary days splendid.

SELF-DISCIPLINE IS AS NATURAL AS BREATHING

Because of his business family background and his intention to study abroad, Chen entered WKU's Finance major with outstanding achievements. He said that as a Sino-foreign cooperative university, in addition to internationalized teachers and courses, WKU has provided an independent platform. For him, self-discipline learning, self-development and self-efforts are the most important.

He has always maintained a high degree of enthusiasm for learning and life, and has a strong ability of time planning and self-discipline. He has his own pace of learning, takes control of time, and strives to improve time utilization. The "paranoia" of time allows him to seize every wonderful opportunity and moment. In terms of study, he

suggests that younger students should be able to preview before class and understand relevant knowledge points from the first perspective; be brave to put forward their own ideas in class and actively interact with professors; review after class and review efficiently.

COLLECTING "NO.1" EXPERT

Chen Pengda is keen on practical activities. He has been involved in various activities, such as the 5th World Internet Conference-Digital Economy and Capital Market Integration Development Forum, Voice of the Future Youth Innovation Forum, APEC, Indonesia International Volunteer of Seeds of Hope Children's Home, Zhejiang-New Jersey STEM Innovation Education Forum. His vision determines his realm. He has constantly walked out of the comfort zone, creating many firsts in WKU, which can be described as collecting "No.1" expert.

WKU'S FIRST STUDENT OF ZIYA XUEGONG ACADEMY

Chen has entrepreneurial spirit and is keen on innovation and entrepreneurship. In June 2019, he went to Xi'an to attend the first Chinese Entrepreneurs Special Training Camp of Ziya Xuegong Academy in 2019, listened to lectures from business leaders such as Feng Lun, Lv Jianzhong and Yi Peng, and studied entrepreneurship management. As the youngest student in the special training camp, he grew as he communicated with these excellent entrepreneurs in China. He accelerated his growth in the communication with these senior partners. Therefore, he naturally has a deeper thinking power and a broader vision than his peers, and also accumulates resources and contacts for future entrepreneurship.

WKU'S FIRST STUDENT AT TSINGLING COLLEGE

In October 2018, Chen Pengda became WKU's first student who was successfully selected into Tsingling College. The project aims to cultivate future business leaders and management elites in China. In Tsingling, he grew up with famous Chinese entrepreneurs and management elites and took the world's top business management courses. Chen is very grateful to Tsingling College, and has been practicing the spirit of "being realistic and pragmatic".

WKU'S FIRST T-LAB LIFELONG ALUMNI

Chen Pengda was very interested in venture capital and participated in T-LAB, a venture capital school with angel investment as the main course and a life-long educational system. Chen shared that the T-LAB experience was a particularly memorable experience and a journey that would accompany him for life. In T-Lab, you can not only gain venture capital knowledge, but also a group of warm friends. He said he wanted to make the world a better place, whether through entrepreneurship or

WKU'S FIRST MEMBER OF THE GLOBAL YOUTH ENTREPRENEUR COMMUNITY

Chen Pengda is committed to combining the concept of business innovation and sustainable development. He founded "C-future Low Carbon Workshop" and served as the co-founder. He went to Shanghai in August 2018 to attend the YSI China Innovation Summit for roadshow, and won the YSI China seed round investment. He is committed to business improvement, and has successively participated in the green entrepreneurship camp and the workshop jointly organized by Impact Hub and B Corps China, hoping to use the power of business to bring positive influence to the society.

BECAUSE I BELIEVE, I SEE

Chen Pengda, who is determined to study abroad, has received graduate offers from five top universities in the world, including Duke University, National University of Singapore, University College London, Washington University in St. Louis and Johns

Hopkins University (half Award), and is still waiting for the offer of his dream university. Chen said, "It's important to adjust your mentality during the application season. Application is a metaphysics. You don't know the specific reason why you are rejected, so try your best to do everything without regret."

HOLISTIC VIEW - OVERALL PLAN

Chen Pengda said that when he applied for colleges and universities, he comprehensively analyzed the target schools, target majors, target programs, employment directions, etc., arranged the target colleges, stepped back step by step to improve the background, and tried his best to approach the application direction, including educational background, internship, research, practical experience of extracurricular activities and international experience. Chen Pengda's experience in entrepreneurship, venture capital, branding, management and other internships and activities helped him a lot.

SPECIFIC VIEW - MAJOR AND COLLEGE SELECTION

Chen Pengda said that the whole application will be very rewarding if you do it yourself, and it will also be a good opportunity for self-awareness. For example, choosing a school, spending time on the school's official website to learn about the program, and choosing the program that suits you are interested in. It will be helpful for writing papers and interviews later. At the same time, he suggested that when choosing a major, we should open our eyes appropriately, do not have to focus on a particular major. The school selection adopts a stratified strategy and basically chooses about 2 guaranteed schools. Then you can apply boldly and try the rest of the schools bravely.

Chen believes that "only by breaking the circle can we get our own life script." Looking back on the four years of university, Chen said that his biggest achievement was to grow independently. He hoped that young students could enjoy the university time, dare to make mistakes, pursue dreams bravely, and may blossom accompany them all the way forward.

JI YU: PASSION IS POWER

Major: Finance

Prospects after Graduation: University College London

So far, WKUer Ji Yu has already received offers from five first-class universities: University College London (UCL), University of Hong Kong, the University of Edinburgh, the University of Manchester and the University of Warwick.

Ji Yu is a dance lover, a big fan of boy groups, and has a sweet tooth like many other girls at her age. When being asked the secret of winning recognition by these schools, she thought for a moment and attributed it to one word: "passion." Indeed, this word runs through her entire student life.



She has served as the Chairman of Wenzhou Students Federation (part-time job in municipal government), the deputy secretary of the Youth League Committee, an outstanding member of Wenzhou Youth League, and an advanced individual of Wenzhou "New Youth in the Countryside." She published academic papers at the Hong Kong SIBR conference, won two Zhejiang government scholarships, won Dean's first, second, and third prize scholarships, and two public service and leadership scholarships. These are all distinctive to her, but she refuses to allow these accomplishments to define her.

"I decided to take part in these organizations or events due to my passion for them, without expecting the fame or glory that might bring. I am the kind of person who enjoys group activities, and I really love the process that everyone works together to reach a goal. Although there will be setbacks stumbling for sure, we will be mature eventually. I enjoy it very much. "

Speaking of the experience that left the deepest impression, she believes it was joining the Youth League when studying at WKU. From an ordinary member to the Head of Youth League, she has learned a lot during this period. Luckily enough, the university platform enables most of their ideas to be put into practice.

Former Head Chen Fengjiao wins her high respect. Chen is considerate and rather calm when facing problems, even in difficulties. This kind of quality left an impression that affected her deeply. During the vacation, she participated in the competition project hosted in the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology. After returning to school, she brought the idea from the project to the Youth League Committee and successfully managed a unique group tour. She then actively contacted other departments, trying to promote the project at the university level. In the meantime, the role of chairman of the ACSF gives her the possibility to promote this project at the municipal level.

"Although the whole process involved numerous trivial work, it was great to see that my ideas might make an impact," She noted.

In addition to school work, Ji Yu cherished every chance she could seize. She studied finance at school and successfully got an internship in a bank in Hangzhou and afterwards at a security company with her professional advantages. On a vacation, she traveled to Bali Island, becoming a volunteer teacher. Later, she

started an internship in Hangzhou Radio and Television driven by her passion for the media industry. During that period, she talked with Fang Ming, the Director of the Broadcasting Department of the Central People's Broadcasting Station. Although she is not sure whether those celebrities could even remember her name, those inspiring moments encouraged her to move forward. She always believed the importance of learning from others as one can inherit the wisdom and experience and thus grow up quickly.

When asked why she stood out so many times, she responded with a big smile, "I did not feel that way, and I had never seriously considered this issue." In fact, she is not that confident deep inside.



This lack of self-confidence may have something to do with family upbringing. Her parents have always been very concerned about her education, especially her mother, who has been very strict with her since childhood. Like many children, she has been asked to learn piano, calligraphy, erhu and attend other creative classes since childhood. "Getting used to her high expectation, I have never dared to slack off."

"But looking back now, I can understand the intention of my mom." Ji Yu mentioned one thing she is proud of, "I am very grateful that every summer, my family organizes family outings, and the steps have covered almost all over China and Southeast Asia. This has given me a more international perspective and the courage to embrace possibilities." Speaking of her upcoming trip to England, she couldn't hide her expectation, "I am going to study in England soon and I am very excited to explore Europe on my own."

Regarding why she chose Wenzhou-Kean, Ji Yu offered her insights. "WKU, as a Chinese-American jointly established

higher education institution offers an international perspective. The hardware and facilities are excellent, and the faculty are recruited globally. It sounds just attractive for those who want a new experience, like me."

But she also mentioned some regrets. In her college, she met many wonderful teachers, those who played a significant role in each stage, but she has not yet had the opportunity to say thanks. "Before graduating, I must visit them again," she mentioned.

Talking about the upcoming new journey, Ji Yu's tone revealed her expectations. "My first option now is the Management of UCL. But I will not start from a management position as soon as I graduate, instead I will work in various positions to enrich myself first. In my eyes, managing a company is like distributing a big cake. We can only divide the cake fairly if we have our own insights about each piece of cake."

For the future, this passionate girl still has many wild ideas waiting for her to explore.



WANG YANGCAN: MORI GIRL WITH SUPER POWER

Major: English
Prospects after Graduation: Duke University

GPA 3.98,

Champion of the English Debate Competition,

This comely girl has received offers with scholarships from University of Pennsylvania, University College London, Duke University...

A smiling girl, Wang Yangcan, favors Japanese TV series, savors the peace gained from calligraphy and Chinese zither...Though she looks dainty, as long as you get to know her, you will find this is a girl with super power.

CHAMPION OF ENGLISH DEBATE COMPETITION

At the first glance, no one would tell that Wang was the head of the Public Relations Department of the Student Government or the champion of the 21st "FLTRP Cup" English Debate Competition. During the competition, she successfully reached the National Finals, which updates the WKU's record in this competition. Along the way, she and her teammates searched for information online, actively sharpened debate skills and practiced repeatedly... Started as a fresh hand, she made a major breakthrough in the competition.

TRANSBOUNDARY SCIENTIFIC RESEARCHER

Who would expect that an English major student could make achievements in the field of biological research, and even participate in the international conference, and successfully publish papers on the international journals?

She told us that the inspiration of scientific research came from a biology elective course. Dr. Aloysius Wong, the professor of Biology, is the guide in her scientific research. He is an excellent professor, who graduated from the world's top university with outstanding research achievements. More importantly,

he interpreted the biology knowledge in a simple manner and refreshed her understanding of biology. At that time, the professor happened to be conducting a research project, she applied to join in. Professor Wong never questioned her ability and always encouraged her. She repeated experiments and recording, and then finally obtained the research results. The whole process inspired her to ponder over public health issues and led to the direction for her future study.

STRONG SUPPORT FROM THE UNIVERSITY AND FAMILY

In the past four years, Wang has been regarded as a straight-A student by others, with a GPA of 3.98, being the head of the Public Relations Department of the Student Government, champion of the English Debate Competition, overseas volunteer, international journal author, and successive winner of Government Scholarship and President Scholarship of WKU. People wonder how she made it.

She told us that her achievements were inseparable from the support from the University and her family.



She said that WKU was the place where her dreams took off. Her professors are dedicated. Their diverse cultural backgrounds endow students with different perspectives on the world, and their rich teaching and scientific research experience leads students to explore and research; all her classmates are self-disciplined, diligent and eager to learn. WKU encourages her to think critically, enables her to explore scientific research, and provides her with opportunities for overseas projects... The most important thing is that she gradually has the courage and determination of exploring the world thanks to the University's international and inclusive environment.

She is also very grateful to her parents, who give suggestions when she faces big decisions, but always respect her final choice. When she considered going to Kiev as a volunteer, although the situation in Ukraine was somewhat turbulent, they did not oppose it immediately. Instead, they searched for relevant information, and then left the final decision to her. Wang assured that this power will always encourages her to move forward.

SECRET OF ENGLISH LEARNING

Facing the pressure of study, Wang has some time management tips. For example, she would organize things according to her preferences and the importance of things. Large blocks of time are allocated to key projects, and spare time is reserved for small matters. Everything is arranged in order by her. "Sometimes the disliked but significant matters have to be done, then why should I do them unwillingly?" She said with a smile. For language learning, practice is always the most important. She immersed herself in English every day. As time goes by, English seems to be a part of daily life. She will grab a topic then practice by herself, thus honing her English skills.

At last, she has some words to share with schoolmates: first, don't be afraid to express yourself. Communicating with experienced teachers and senior students will help you avoid detours; second, seize the opportunity, and don't be restrained by your major and embrace all possibilities.

At present, she has received offers with scholarships from University of Pennsylvania, University College London, Duke University and other famous universities. In future, she will focus on public policy research and pay attention to public health issues.



HU HAONAN: HEAD TOWARDS DREAMS

Major: Marketing

Prospects after Graduation: ByteDance

With a total score of 626 in the National College Entrance Examination and 138 in English, Hu Haonan, who scored 7 in IELTS in high school, chose to study at Wenzhou-Kean University. Looking back at Hu's college life: GPA3.79, the first prize of the Wenzhou English Speech Contest, the Chairman of the Student Ambassador, and many other awards. Before graduation, he has received offers from many well-known companies such as NetEase, Ogilvy and ByteDance. His success could be attributed to several factors.

WKU OPENS THE DOOR OF POSSIBILITIES

The reason why Hu chose WKU is that it makes his future full of possibilities. Here, he has lots of opportunities. Hu, who is excellent in English, is adaptable to WKU's all-English teaching environment. His academic performance and personality have been significantly enhanced at WKU. He developed his own intrinsic motivation to learn and his horizon has been broadened at WKU. He also met many excellent friends from all over the world. The most pleasant surprise is that he often come up with new ideas when exchanging views and insights with his peers and professors.

As for study, he thinks that Marketing is a very interesting and dynamic field. Professors are dedicated, guiding students to think from different perspectives, as well as encouraging them to be more proactive. Gradually, he break the inherent thinking mode and has a new understanding of many issues.

EXCELLENT ENGLISH DEPENDS ON DAILY ACCUMULATION

First prize of the Wenzhou English Speech Contest, mentor and general manager of freshmen English camp, ELC peer tutor... Excellent English is one of the highlights of Hu's college life. Hu stressed that he has been interested in English learning

since he was a child. He has developed a strong motivation to learn English by participating in various activities. There are various opportunities to practice English at WKU, ranging from communicating with professors and exchange students to making a final presentation or a proposal of a business project. After completing a small goal, the sense of accomplishment impels you to move forward. "

As for the tips of learning English, Hu thinks learning English relies on daily effort. He has raised a habit of taking notes of authentic English expressions when he notices, and then tries to practice these words as much as possible, and gradually his English improves.

RUNNING AGAINST THE WIND

Running against the wind, Hu enjoys his aspirant college life. Leading the University's charity project, serving as the Chairman of the Student Ambassador, representing of the University in the Sino-American Chamber of Commerce, internship in TEDx in Serbia... "We are happy at work because we are all doing what we want to do," Hu told he was extremely excited to work with his creative and energetic teammates on a project.

As a Student Ambassador, Hu assisted in the University's

recruitment work, made great efforts in the off-campus publicity and Opening Day activity. From a team member to the Head of a department to the Chairman, Hu used the word "cool" to describe the Student Ambassador organization. He thought every member there was excellent, and the organization was united and full of vitality. Here, he learned to listen to others' opinions, as well as paying more attention to independent thinking. At the same time, he sharpens the skills of leadership, cooperation, and creativity. He hoped that this "cool" spirit could last forever.

Hu made the decision to accept the offer from ByteDance finally. Looking back on his college life, Hu is most grateful for the excellent peers around him. They will head towards dreams together!





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