



The Department Congratulates

2022 Newnan Student Excellence Award Winner

Ms. Christina Nguyen



I recently graduated with a Bachelor of Science from the Industrial and Systems Engineering program in Fall 2022. During my attendance at SJSU, I was a member of the Institute of Industrial & Systems Engineers (IISE) club. As an Asian-American first-generation college student, it is my goal to make education more accessible to those from low resource backgrounds. In response to that, I would spend time helping 5th to 10th grade students with free math tutoring at my local community tutoring center. Attending the SJSU college of engineering department has allowed me to network with like-minded individuals going through similar experiences and open my mind to different career-path possibilities. The ISE program helped apply my learned skills and knowledge to my summer internship as a Quality Engineering Intern at Fortera Corp. as well as a temporary position at County of Santa Clara.

Hobbies

Some of my favorite hobbies include hiking and going on road trips. Nothing beats waking up before most of the area wakes up to be one with nature and breathing in the morning air and going somewhere to enjoy life!

Travel

I have made it a goal for myself to travel to different countries. My parents have always worked in order to provide for me and my



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brother, so they never really got the chance to travel themselves. When I travel, it is like my parents get to live the experience through me. Some places I have traveled to are Paris, Hawaii, Vancouver, and Denver.

Volunteering

I have been a big participant in volunteering back when I was in high school. With Silicon Valley being a place known to have an on-the-go mentality, it is important for me to take a step back and see what the community has to offer. With clubs like Interact and Key Club, I was able to lend a helping hand in different areas in San Jose. After accumulating over 250 hours of volunteer work over the course of being an active member of the clubs, I was able to meet new people and learn about how big of an impact volunteering makes in the community. Volunteering gave me a new perspective on life as it allows me the opportunity to see how different people from the same city participate in events to do what they are passionate about aside from day-to-day work.

Little known fact

I am a big foodie. I love to eat and try new foods from different cultures with my friends. I feel like it through different dishes, we can all appreciate the cultural meaning behind them.

