

-Full name:

Ulziinyam Bold (Elsie)

-Academic standing (first year, sophomore, junior, or senior):

Senior

-Major(s):

Major in CS(BS) and Minor in Statistics and Data Science

-Hometown:

Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

-Hobbies/activities you enjoy doing outside academics:

I enjoy hiking, working out, and dancing in my free time.

-Something interesting that people might not generally know about you (chess champion, amateur photographer, write comics, arm wrestling champion, for examples)

I was a Mongolian - Chinese translator at our National News Agency.

I have lived in three different countries.

I am a single mother to a 6 year old daughter.

-Why did you decide to attend the University of Arizona?

My sister lives in Tucson so it was the best option for me.

- Why did you select computer science as your major?

Transitioning from spoken languages to programming languages sounded really intriguing to me.

-What have you enjoyed most about your experience at UA Computer Science?

The feeling one gets when their code passes all test cases is indescribable.

-What are your career goals?

Within the next five years, I plan to gain more experience with Cloud Computing while pursuing my Master's degree here at the University of Arizona.

-Tell us about your unique experience at UA.

As a mom attending college/university in a foreign country, it was really challenging for me to complete my degree while simultaneously taking care of my daughter. In spite of all the challenges I've faced, I made it to the end. The biggest lesson for me was to believe in myself and never give up.

-Tell us about your experience being a TA on campus (CS and MATH).

Although I was only a TA for one semester, it was a great experience for me to connect my fellow students and help them.

-What advice would you give to an incoming student at UA CS?

It's okay to feel overwhelmed and not enough, just take one step at a time!

-Is there anything else you would like viewers/the audience to know?

Kudos to all the students at the CS Department! May all your code compile, and all your test cases pass.