PAOLO LOLI PURDUE GRADUATE STUDENT

Major: MBA Business Administration

Home Country: Peru

Please briefly describe your research:

I work for the Krannert Graduate Programs Office as a Graduate Assistant. My job consists in analyzing admissions data for the masters' programs and to perform research to understand and promote diversity within Krannert's PhD programs.

Why did you choose Purdue?

I learned about Purdue when I was a kid back in South America. Purdue has a great reputation as an engineering school, and I also heard that it had a very good business school. I always wanted to be a part of an institution that was making a difference in the world, and Purdue is doing so in many ways. I was impressed by Purdue's network of successful alumni. They are all over the world, succeeding in their careers, and always willing to help a fellow Boilermaker. To me, that shows how great the Purdue family is and that they are proud to be a part of it. Moreover, Purdue offers a highly ranked STEM MBA program, which has provided me with the tools to develop and hone analytical, strategic, problem-solving, and other technical skills to succeed in my career. Therefore, it was an easy choice to come to Purdue for graduate school.

What was your process for selecting a graduate school?

I looked at several business schools in the country, particularly those that were highly ranked. I made different lists for the schools with their pros and cons and what stood out from each school. I always had Purdue on my mind, and fortunately, I had a friend who was pursuing his MBA at Purdue during that time. My friend told me about how great his experience at Purdue had been and he helped me connect with a recruiter. After talking to the recruiter, I was convinced that Purdue was my best choice. The recruiter was very helpful and guided me throughout the application process. I applied to other schools as backups, but fortunately, I was accepted to the MBA program at Purdue.



What is your favorite fact about Purdue?

Purdue has one of the best basketball programs in the country. The men's team has the most Big Ten Conference championships with 24. As a former college basketball player, I really enjoy attending all of Purdue's home games at Mackey Arena. Mackey has the best atmosphere I have ever witnessed.

What's one thing prospective students from Peru should know about Purdue?

That Purdue is a very welcoming place where everyone can fit in. There are people from all over the world here and opportunities to get involved and make a difference, not only in the community, but also around the world.

How do you keep yourself organized?

I update my calendar on my cellphone and computer constantly. I also keep all my notes on Microsoft OneNote, which I update from my computer and cellphone. Because my peers in the MBA usually have the same classes and schedule as I do, I always check with them to make sure I do not miss any assignments or commitments.

What are you hoping to do after you graduate from Purdue?

I am hoping to work as a product manager, helping an organization to solve customer problems and meet their needs while providing innovation. I want to apply my technical, communication, and problem-solving skills to provide growth and take advantage of opportunities. I also want to work in the tech or sports sector, which are two of my passions.



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