Bio

Pow Vang is currently working at Workday, Inc., a global software company that provides enterprise cloud applications for financial management and human capital management. As a Software Application Engineer, Pow designs, develop, test and implement complex software programs and applications for clients such as Amazon, Target, Netflix and Nissan.

After high school, Pow attended Sacramento City College as a stepping to stone to complete his General Education requirements. While at Sacramento City College, Pow became passionate about his Hmong heritage and became an active participant in the Hmong community, researching on Hmong identity and working with school superintendents to address the low high school graduation rates among Hmong students in the Sacramento area. Pow also developed a passion for Information Technology (IT) and decided to pursue a major in Computer Science and a career in software development. However, Pow realized that Sacramento was not the optimal environment for him to achieve his education and career goals. Taking a risk and stepping outside of his comfort zone, Pow moved to the Bay Area to further his education and increase his opportunity at becoming a successful software engineer. He enrolled in the Computer Science Transfer Program at Diablo Valley College and after completing the program’s requirements, transferred to California State University, East Bay where he earned his Bachelors of Science in Computer Science in June, 2018.

The journey was neither smooth nor easy but quitting was not an option. In conjunction with school, Pow maintained a full-time night and weekend job to help support his family in Sacramento and pay for his education.

Balancing both full-time school and work as well as family was a challenging endeavor. However, by prioritizing his hectic and grueling schedule, Pow was able to stay committed on his path and achieved his goals.

All of Pow's struggle, hard work and dedication finally paid off when his talents were discovered by Workdays, Inc. and other major companies such as Cisco \*\*\* add one more big name company you interviewed with\*\*. He was offered a full-time position at Workday, Inc. prior to completing his Bachelor degree.

With his Bachelor degree and a career goal already achieved, Pow’s next goals are to attain his Master Degree and obtain a leadership position in his career within the next 5 years.

Pow is the eldest son of Ying Vang and Ma Yang and have eleven (11) siblings. Pow is the first college graduate in his family.