

HA THU ANH PHAM

STUDENT PINNACLE AWARD

Anh Pham was born and raised in the beautiful capital city of Hanoi in Vietnam, living with her parents and older brother until she was 17-years-old. In August 2017, she moved to Vancouver, Canada, to attend FDU as a Global Scholar. She will now graduate Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in Information Technology with a Minor in Business Administration.

During her four years at FDU, Anh has demonstrated excellence in academic performance and extracurricular activities. As a Global Scholar, she has successfully achieved a high CGPA every semester and never left the Academic Honors' list throughout her time at FDU Vancouver. From 2018 to 2020, Anh has also co-founded and led Code4Fun - the university's first and only programming club, hosting and leading several knowledge-sharing sessions and project building with her peers. She also excelled in her roles as a Delegate in UNA Canada's Youth as Peacebuilders forum and as a Student Representative in FDU Vancouver's Commencement Ceremony Committee in 2018.

Anh has had software engineering internships in various Canadian tech companies, start-ups, and big tech, to prepare for her future career. Most notably, she joined Apple in Summer 2020 as an intern on their iOS Accessibility team, receiving stellar intern performance reviews. Her intern project was one of Hearing Accessibility features for iOS 14, getting an outreach of a billion iPhone users. Anh also has become a Fellow for Major League Hacking's Production Engineering program, powered by Facebook, then



came back to join as an Admission Specialist, helping review hundreds of fellowship applications. In summer 2021, she won a scholarship to Grace Hopper Conference - the largest conference for women in computing. That same summer, she also won Apple's WWDC Swift Student Challenge and got featured in the Vancouver Sun newspaper and Vietnamnet.

As a tech worker, Anh strongly believes that every technologist should also be a thinker, writer and advocate. She is interested in accessibility, disability justice, labor, community, and more. She was a fellow for Impact Labs' Code for Equity program and actively participates and writes for Reboot, a community, and publication reclaiming techno-optimism for a better collective future.

In her free time, she loves to read, chat with friends on Discord, practice her Taekwondo kicks and spot cute dogs on the streets.

Anh is currently a Software Engineer at Mastercard, working on combating fraudulent transactions.