

## A Female Disabled DTU student overcomes adversity to achieve success

Hoai Trang felt so happy when she received a job offer at the DiCentral Company at the Danang Software Park. Through her strong spirit and hard work, she has been able to achieve what most normal people cannot. In her new position she will continue to dedicate herself to work creativity.



*Truong le Hoai Trang at DiCentral*

### Overcoming obstacles to continue going to school

Her legs were paralyzed as a result of a fever when she was an infant. She is unable to walk so her parents take turns to take her to school. At the age of six, she was too young to understand her parents' worries and insisted on going to school. On the first day of the new school year, her strong wish was to put on her uniform and go to school with her classmates. Only when she found out that she could not get to school by herself was she aware of her disadvantages of having paralyzed legs.

Overcoming her difficulties, she tried to go to school as frequently as possible, despite bad weather. Her teachers and classmates helped her significantly and were willing to take her to school and back whenever her parents were too busy. During her twelve years of education, she has tried her best to overcome her difficulties and prove herself academically. Her proud parents, teachers and friends encouraged her to be strong and confident enough to take the university entrance examination. DTU always welcomes hard-working students, which provided Hoài Trang with excellent further educational and career opportunities.

*She said: "When I was a little girl, I dreamt of being a doctor or an architect and, at other times, I wanted to become a teacher to teach small children with physical handicaps like myself. Before going to university, my parents and teachers advised me to study Information Technology because it suited my physical condition. I gradually found*

*it to be a very interesting program, which I studied with deep passion. I feel happy because DTU has provided me with many opportunities. I spent my university time in a well-equipped study environment with highly-qualified lecturers and my classmates always gave me much help whenever I needed it.”*



*Mr. Vo Duy Khuong - Deputy Chairman of Danang People's Committee presents a graduation diploma to Hoai Trang*

### **Getting job before graduation**

Her strong spirit and ambition enabled Hoai Trang to turn her disadvantages into strengths and study with dedication. According to her *“When you cannot change your physical condition, it makes sense to enjoy what you have and live well, instead of spending time upset and worrying.”*

Her optimism has nurtured her dream of becoming an integral part of the community. Hoai Trang has matured during her four years at DTU, where she has gained knowledge and experience to build a strong foundation for the future. Also, by researching internet sites in her studies, she improved her English. She could not afford extra English courses, so she learnt by herself and scored 450 points in the TOEIC test. Her knowledge of English has helped her learn even more.

Ms. Trang is one of the best students in the K15TPM class at DTU. With her excellent academic record, she was quite self-confident to accept an internship at the DiCentral Company for two months. Then, with continuing strong performance, she was offered a full-time job on graduation.

Enjoying her early success, Hoai Trang learned more to meet the requirements of her teachers and DiCentral. Hoai Trang intends to open her own business to help other students with physical disabilities to overcome their difficulties and get good jobs.

Successes will always come to those who try their best and make sustained efforts to overcome obstacles. To Hoai Trang, when we lose something, we should not be pessimistic but stay calm and listen. We will hear the beautiful sounds of life and the deep affection of our family, relatives, teachers and friends. Try to overcome your problems and achieve your success. Hoai Trang always regarded DTU as friendly and loving. She believes that DTU is a great place for students to receive encouragement and the strength to reap great rewards in their studies and careers.

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