

As kids, we never thought about money or the future. My parents always seemed to be able to scrape by, that we never had anything fancy. As an adult, I have always lived by the seat of my pants, spending money as soon as I earned it, with no savings to speak of.

Now, seeing how my elderly parents struggle with debt, finances and possible loss of their homes in recent years, I am determined to have a better life and in turn help to alleviate my parents' worries.

The radiology informatics and computer networking technology degrees are my way of making this happen.

It was scary taking on college at my age, and in fields that I had no experience in. As soon as I spoke with my advisor and my professor, I knew they were the perfect fit for what I've been looking for.

I will be able to save not only for myself, but for my family. The education I'm receiving and the subsequent employment will not only change my life, but will better the lives of all my loved ones.

I'm immensely grateful for my advisors, professors and my education. Thank you, and thank you, HACC.