# Mind Blowing Math Leads to an M.S. in IT

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It was a love of math and a recommendation from a fellow international student that ultimately led Tanya Iuferova '20 from her hometown in Tyumen, Russia to [UNH Manchester](#)'s [Master of Science in information technology](#) program.

"I have always been fascinated by how abstract and logical math is," Iuferova explained. "When I discovered how easy it could be to make a computer program that could solve a complex math problem in milliseconds, it blew my mind!"

Iuferova had the opportunity to blow other people's minds with her master's project - creating a program for the New Hampshire State Science and Engineering Expo (NHSEE) that automated their student-judge competition distribution. "Usually it takes a few days at the NHSEE to distribute all assignments to the judges manually. With my program they can do it in seconds," she said.

During her time at UNH Manchester, Iuferova was also actively involved in a number of international student club activities. From performing Bollywood dance routines to representing her Russian culture during an international food event by making pancakes, she loved both learning about other students' cultures as well as teaching them about her own. Her enthusiasm for teaching led her to become a peer tutor and she has continued to educate UNH Manchester students as an adjunct professor.

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