Thursday, 27 December 2012.

To Whom It May Concern,

I have known Alexey since 2006, when he entered our university. His major was Information System and Technologies. As a teacher, I first met him on additional Math classes for students interested in math on his first year, where we worked out difficult mathematical problems from contests and advanced textbooks. Besides, he attended "Laplace and Fourier transform" course where I was a lecturer, and he expressed a particular interest in the subject.

Through learning Alexey showed himself as an active, serious and conscientious student. Being a high performer, he was among the upper 5% of his group, and he was studying with interest and awareness of necessity of solid knowledge. The regular curriculum problems were easy for him, and he was always willing to do extra. Alexey proved to have an inclination towards scientific and research work.

Throughout studies, he represented the academy at 57th Scientific Collegiate Conference (Khabarovsk), and spoke at "Programmer - 2009" and "Programmer - 2010" collegiate conferences in the "scientific research works" section (Vladivostok). In the end of 2009 Alexey received a governmental award for his achievements in studying and extracurricular activities.

Apart from studying and researching, Alexey constantly participated in collegiate contests. From 2007 to 2010 he annually was a part of the university's team in ACM ICPC and in international contest among students of PSU and Jiamusi State University (Jiamusi, China). In the last year of study he participated in a nation-wide programming contest where showed 4th result. Before graduating, he won "the best graduate" award.

As a person, Alexey showed good communication skills. He understands the value of collaboration, listens actively, and always asks clarifying questions. Also, he provides a well-reasoned position, effectively conveys ideas in a structured way, actively joins discussions, and able to work out mutually agreeable solutions. He is open-minded, and that lets him easily get along with both students and teachers.

Additionally, he demonstrated eagerness to propagate knowledge. When his classmate had problems to understand something, he willingly tried to explain difficult part from different angles. What is more, he with his friends tried to organize an algorithm study group for preparation to programming contests in our faculty.

Alexey is open to multicultural exchange. While participating in the contests in China, he enthusiastically absorbed Chinese culture, visited all possible sights and tried to learn a little bit of Chinese. In 2009 and 2010 he participated in Work and Travel programme, and visited the USA to work and learn English there. On his return, he was full of impressions and eagerly shared all his experiences with his peers.

Alexey was a student with great capabilities, with his attitude towards acquiring new knowledge, skills and competences. And I think he will amply fulfil all his potential if he participates in this programme.

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