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Greetings,

My name is Jordan Hanson, and I am an assistant professor of physics at Whittier College, in Whittier, California. I write in support of Nicholas Haarlammert for the summer research programs at the University of Michigan summer REU program. Nicholas has been my physics student in my introduction to mechanics course, and is currently a physics major in our program.

Nicholas plans to pursue either professional electrical engineering or graduate studies in the natural sciences. He is a good student, and earned on of the top grades in my calculus-based physics course. In my course, Nicholas was required to engage in laboratory activities as well as learn the standard theoretical physics content. Additionally, he completed a rocketry project with his lab group. This project required extensive planning and calculations before testing in the field. He is also proficient in python programming language, scoring high marks in our introductory computer science course. Finally, when Nicholas is struggling he takes the initiative to make an appointment with me for office hours.

In summary, I recommend Nicholas for your program, and I hope that he can contribute to UCLA research. Please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Jordan C. Hanson, PhD