Teaching Statement

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While I am more research-focused and do not claim to be a successful teacher in this statement, I aim to showcase my qualifications to teach undergraduate or higher-level students by presenting my past teaching/mentoring and course-designing experiences.

Teaching experience. I graduated from Beijing Normal University, the best normal university in China that prioritizes the development of high-quality teachers. My major was Educational Technology, which provided me with a comprehensive understanding of educational theory and principles. Moreover, I gained valuable teaching experience with high school students during my time as an intern at the Affiliated High School of Peking University for six months and as an IT (information technology) teacher at the Hefei No.10 High School for a year.

Mentoring experience. I have a wealth of experience mentoring students at various levels. In 2018, I successfully supervised an undergraduate student who completed his undergraduate thesis and received honors from Wuhan University. During my time at UNSW, I also mentored a master's student through the UNSW Career Discovery Mentoring Program. Additionally, I am a co-supervisor for a PhD student who, under my guidance, has already had one research paper accepted by ASE 2023 (core A*).

Course designing experience. As an undergraduate, I received professional training in course design through the "instructional design" course. Currently, I am in the process of developing a course called "Principle of Compilers" from scratch. During the design process, I have extensively studied over ten courses from different universities, enabling me to develop syllabi, homework assignments, tests, projects, and evaluate the course. I am also enthusiastic and qualified to take on the challenge of designing and teaching courses like Foundation of Programming Languages, Data Structures, Algorithms, Formal Languages and Automata Theory, Advanced Compiler Techniques, Program Analysis, and Formal Verification.

Lastly, I am passionate about teaching, finding it to be an incredibly rewarding pursuit. Witnessing students grasp the material I present and engage in thought-provoking discussions brings me immense joy. Moreover, teaching enhances my own understanding of the subject matter and often leads to innovative approaches to problem-solving.