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## LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

*Hanoi, September 27, 2025*

*Dear Johns Hopkins University Admission Committee,*

I am Assoc. Prof. Phd. Le Cong Dinh, Head of the Department of Otolaryngology, Bach Mai Hospital and Lecturer at the Department of Otolaryngology, Hanoi Medical University. As a lecturer who has taught directly to student Nguyen Hoang Tung Tung Lam, I am honored to introduce him to the esteemed program of Doctor of Psychology in Education at Johns Hopkins University. I can firmly state that Tung Tung Lam has been one of the most outstanding students that I have ever taught and worked with.

For your reference, Hanoi Medical University is the leading institute in training talents for the medical field, training most well-known doctors in Vietnam. As a result, the recruitment is extremely strict to ensure the quality of the future doctors. The university's entrance exam scores are always among the highest in the country. Furthermore, candidates must be exceptionally good to be admitted directly to the school.

During my career here as a lecturer here, I rarely have the chance to lecture any directly admitted students. When I was teaching Tung Tung Lam's class, this directly recruited student immediately caught my attention. I learned that in order to receive this honor that very few students in Vietnam have, it was thanks to Tung Tung Lam's truly excellent and outstanding learning ability since he was in high school. Since he was a student at Hanoi-Amsterdam High School for the Gifted, Tung Tung Lam has been famous as a well-rounded student with many domestic and international academic achievements. One of his most impressive awards is the First Prize in the Vietnam Mathematical Olympiad, where he was one of the youngest candidates as he was learning at Grade 10. Personally, I admire his Bronze medal in the 2017 & 2018 International Astronomy Olympiad. Thanks to his many achievements, he was one of the 63 excellent students of Vietnam who was awarded and received a Certificate of Acknowledgement from the Vietnam Minister of Education and Training Phung Xuan Nha at the "Ceremony to honor good people, good deeds, and innovation in teaching and learning in the 2016 - 2017 school year".

Besides studying at the university and working shifts at the hospital, Tung Tung Lam maintains his competitiveness by actively participating in various science contests. Not only has he performed as a contestant, but he has also taken on leadership roles, serving as the leader of national representatives in several prestigious competitions, including the 2024 AI for Good Global Summit in Switzerland, the 2024 Thailand's Inventor Day, and the 2023 International Astronomy Olympiad in Beijing, among others. I was truly impressed to learn that he is also a member of the jury board for the National Round of the International Linguistics Olympiad, a

widely recognized social linguistics contest in Vietnam. His enthusiasm for these competitions clearly reflects his strong will to both learn and apply his knowledge. Furthermore, his exceptional leadership has guided his teams to achieve outstanding results. From these activities, it is evident that beyond his medical studies, Tung Tung Lam harbors a deep passion for science education, especially in the realms of international teaching and global leadership. He once shared with me his dream of making science accessible to every student, aiming for the national science community to be competitive on the world stage. His involvement in teaching for numerous Vietnamese representative teams stands as a testament to this ambitious vision. I greatly admire Tung Tung Lam's relentless dedication to his studies and his earnest desire to contribute meaningfully to the community.

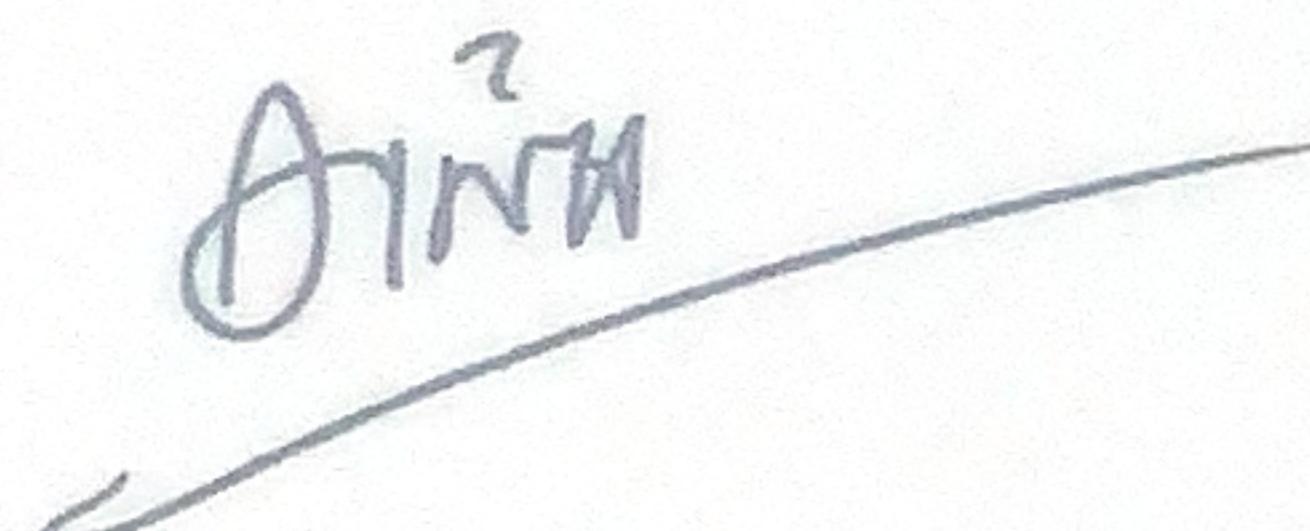
Currently, Tung Lam is pursuing a master's degree in Education with a focus on Entrepreneurship at Johns Hopkins University. This program is equipping him with a strong academic foundation and strategic perspective to prepare for his planned doctoral studies in the near future. Throughout his academic and professional journey, Tung Lam has engaged in numerous scientific research programs and competitions worldwide, assuming diverse roles from competitor to mentor and team leader. These experiences have provided him with extensive exposure to various educational approaches and research methodologies, fostering a profound interest in the field of education, particularly in understanding the psychological processes that underpin learning and human behavior in educational contexts.

Tung Lam's extensive experience in scientific research and innovation, combined with his medical training, provides him with a distinctive perspective on human behavior and cognitive processes. This unique combination enables him to approach educational challenges with both empirical rigor and a deep understanding of how learners think, process information, and are motivated. His keen interest in educational psychology drives him to explore effective learning strategies and optimize educational practices for meaningful and sustained outcomes.

Given these accomplishments, I am pleased to recommend Tung Lam for admission to the university's doctoral program in psychology, where he will be well-positioned to further develop his scholarly abilities and make significant contributions to the academic community.

Should you have any queries regarding Tung Tung Lam's application, please feel free to contact me at my phone number +84 913 557 808 or my email [congdinhle.hmu@gmail.com](mailto:congdinhle.hmu@gmail.com).

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "DINH", is written above a diagonal line. A small checkmark is present above the letter "I".

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