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Technology Leadership Initiative Department of Computer Science 40 St. George Street Toronto, ON M5S 2E4

Re: Application for Technology Leadership Initiative

Dear Admission Team,

I would like to submit my application for the Technology Leadership Program at the University of Toronto. I feel I am a strong candidate for this program because I have a demonstrated passion for design and user experience, entrepreneurial experience, and leadership skills gained from extracurriculars. I feel this program will support my career goals to be a successful tech entrepreneur.

I have a strong passion for design and user experience. I was selected for a specialized Fine Arts program where I specialized in Visual Arts. I have won awards at provincial and international levels. Currently, I am the designer for an app where I design user interfaces and create working prototypes. I am also a startup enthusiast and an up-and-coming entrepreneur. I co-founded a small student-run company in high school. I joined Junior Achievement as their brand ambassador to promote entrepreneurial education. In the past month, I have been asked to join a startup as a technical co-founder to build a financial platform that aims to solve a problem we see in the market. I have been a leader in my community. I have experience leading a club of over 50 members, organizing a TedTalk-like event with over 1000 participants, and had served as a mentor for younger students around me.

I'm a tech enthusiast with a business background. I am continuously building upon my technical and analytical skills and am always looking for new opportunities. I am curious about the tech industry, so I seek out opportunities to meet start-up founders in different industries. I experiment with new frameworks to build prototypes of apps, and I am always up for new challenges, whether it is leading a team of developers or dealing with high turnover rates with a start-up development team.

Thank you for considering my application.

Sincerely,

Zhi Ying Sun