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Reference for Dr. SYED Awase Khirni

To whom it may concern

Dear Search Committee members,

Dr. SYED Awase Khirni has asked me to write a letter in support of his application for the faculty position with your department and it is with great pleasure that I respond to his request.

Dr. Awase has been my colleague at the College of Computer Science and Information Technology, from 05/2011 to 06/2012, in the capacity of Assistant Professor. I will therefore restrict my comments to this specified period, assuming that other referees will provide testimony on other relevant stages of his professional career.

Awase worked with me in the frame of the new Information Technology Department's (formerly Information Systems Department) program curriculum design. Awase has been instrumental and demonstrated high dedication to achieving this task assigned to him as a member of the program committee. He was a critical contributor to the essential aspects of our new curriculum, by providing his past industrial and academic expertise. He meticulously addressed the challenge of designing a new program curriculum in compliance with international standards and enforced processes in compliance with American Board Education and Training (ABET).

The department has seen drastic change and organizational effectiveness, thanks to the efforts of Dr. Awase. He has been a great motivator, a quiet transformer who strives to raise the bar. Awase has decided to explore new challenges; it is a certain loss to our department.



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During his tenure here, he had taught the following courses geographic information systems, data warehouse and business intelligence, logic programming, software engineering and decision support systems.

Awase will be an asset as faculty member. I recommend him very strongly and without any reservations whatever. If you desire further information or clarification of my comments, please feel free to contact me at the above e-mail address or phone/fax number.

Yours sincerely,

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