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Dear Peer Leading Manager,

My name is Evan Harvey, and I'm writing to apply for the 2020 Semester 1 PASS Leader position at the University of Tasmania, Newnham Campus. In particular, the unit KIT101 Programming Fundamentals.

Beginning in 2017, I have achieved success as both a University student and a life-long learner. I began with the University Preparation Program (UPP) and fast-tracked into a Bachelors degree. I am now a second-year student with a 6.83 GPA, honour society invitee and hold a scholarship, with ambitions for post-graduate research.

More importantly in what I have learnt, however, is broadening my views of higher education and lifelong learning, including experience with the rich diversity and culture surrounding higher education at the University of Tasmania.

As identified by UTAS's Peer Leader Guidelines, engagement, belonging and integrated support are integral components for increasing student retention. I recognise the importance of promoting both student and institutional interests, namely retention and engagement, in what is identified as a key unit. KIT101 represents a first-year treatment in fundamental programming concepts, and enrolment in this unit spans across faculties, pathways and educational areas. With a high student enrolment rate, I recognise the importance of maintaining retention in this unit. As such, what I have to offer the PASS program in achieving student success as a PASS Leader is as follows:

1. Achieved overall mark of 95% in KIT101 which shows competency in the units' learning outcomes;
2. Experience in student diversity through my University College pathway;
3. Intimately familiar with the structure, content and learning outcomes of KIT101, having discussed content with staff, or past students – allowing effective integration of content and learning skills during sessions;
4. Extremely thorough when planning and maintaining an area of responsibility, as demonstrated by my overall academic success;
5. Strong communication skills and experience working in small to large groups, as part of prior work, study and my life experiences; and
6. Experience in mentoring through study sessions with peers where I have enjoyed helping others

I believe I am a highly suitable candidate for this position due to my achievements, strong personal and communication skills, life experiences and success in taking KIT101 previously. My resume and selection criteria are included, and I look forward to discussing the PASS position as details emerge.

Yours sincerely,

Evan Harvey