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Letter of Recommendation

It's a great opportunity for me to recommend my student Mr. Sarthak Parakh for bolstering his admission to the Master's degree program at your esteemed university. I have been in the teaching and research profession for 15+ years and worked a couple of years in the industry. I'm specialized in various Computer Science subjects such as Data Structures, Machine Learning, and many more. Having observed Sarthak's exemplary academic performance, I can confidently state that he is one of the most sincere and dedicated students I have ever met. I taught him Software Engineering and Machine learning concepts and conducted his lab sessions when I was a senior Professor in the Department of Computer Science.

I observed Sarthak's capabilities when he started asking a series of questions in my lectures which showcased his curiosity and willingness to enhance his skill set and get better clarity in Software Engineering. His way of mapping his queries with real-life examples and scenarios shows his pragmatic approach, keen awareness, and knowledge about the topic. He also won a cash prize in an in-house competition based on developing a project covering all the aspects of software principles and documentation, following a specific software model. He created a dynamic website with an agile approach that was beautifully presented with all necessary details and user stories. In lab sessions, he meticulously participated in discussions on mapping use cases and simplifying utilities of existing applications and software and ways to optimize them. He always seized the opportunity to participate in sessions and workshops organized by industry experts related to software engineering in the department. His zealous and inquisitive nature always made him stand out from his peers.

At the time of his Machine Learning classes, he was active in other extracurricular activities. Therefore, he missed some of my classes but was always on track with additional insights in the subsequent classes. He has the ability to complete multiple tasks with favorable results despite deadline pressure. Exhibiting his awareness, he discussed various opportunities coming up in Machine Learning and related fields. He was very punctual and devoted in his work and submitted his assignments and practical work on time. His great communication and leadership qualities were evident in his class initiatives. He managed to learn about different programming languages and also completed online courses parallel to his classes to boost his knowledge and practical skills in concepts of Machine Learning and Deep Learning which he utilized in his projects through concepts of Natural Language Processing and Image classification. His active research in understanding the problem and empathizing with the end-users to solve real-life problems through his projects helped him go to the root of the cause. Furthermore, I would rank him among the top 2% of his batch mates.

Sarthak is a very enthusiastic and social student who loves to discuss different activities and have his opinions to discuss around. He also encouraged and helped his juniors, peers, and seniors to participate in various entrepreneurial activities and upscale their projects into business models. Being in the Entrepreneurship Cell and other volunteering work, he diversified his personality and also managed consistency in his department work and studies.

He is indeed a deserving aspirant to be part of your eminent university. He will not only excel in your department but will also help his surroundings flourish. Your Master's program can nurture and polish his existing skills. I strongly recommend him for a graduate degree at your university and any merit-based financial assistance. You won't regret having him onboard.

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