

**Subject:** Prospective PhD Student | CGPA 3.37/4.00 | UC Berkeley CALICO Top 15%

Dear Prof. [Last Name],

I hope this email finds you well.

I am very interested in contributing to research under your supervision in the domain of Machine Learning, Deep Learning, and Computer Vision as a Ph.D. CS student at [University Name] for Fall 2026.

While reviewing your research profile, I was particularly inspired by your recent publication [publication name]. It closely aligns with my coursework in **Artificial Intelligence (GPA: 3.7/4.0)**, **Machine Learning (GPA: 3.3/4.0)**, and **Data Warehousing and Data Mining (GPA: 3.7/4.0)**, as well as my ongoing specialization in Mathematics and Machine Learning from DeepLearning.AI, where I am gaining hands-on experience in model training, fine-tuning, optimization techniques, and loss-function minimization.

Alongside this, I have two years of full-stack development experience, where I have built data-driven platforms and end-to-end ML systems, led teams in international hackathons, and developed GenAI-based full-stack solutions, which enables me to rapidly prototype, evaluate, and deploy research ideas.

**Some key highlights of my journey include:**

- **BS Software Engineering :** CGPA 3.37/4.00 with 28 A's and 30B's grade
- Awarded with **Gold Medal, Laptop & Merit Scholarship** in High School.
- **Aspire Leaders Fellow 2025** (Harvard Business School and Aspire Institute).
- **4th** place out of 2000 in the Gen-AI Hackathon (Pak Angels USA & PEC).
- Ranked **top 15%** globally in UC Berkeley's CALICO 2025.
- **Harvard University's CS50x Puzzle Day Winner** [Scored 9/9]
- 100+ hours of teaching experience in **Python, DSA and IELTS Sessions** to 500+ underprivileged students.
- 2+ years **software development** experience building applications using (NodeJs, ReactJs and NextJs)

I have attached my CV and transcript for your review. I would appreciate knowing whether you plan to admit new Ph.D. students in an upcoming cycle and would be happy to arrange a Zoom meeting at your convenience to discuss potential opportunities in your lab.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Best regards,

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