

"A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops."

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Graduate Teaching Assistant Interest Statement

Greetings, Professor Soysal,

Intent to Support

I joined the Bradley Department as an M.S. student in Computer Engineering this fall with a focus on machine learning, and I'd like to be considered for a GTA role for the course **ECE 2514 - Computational Engineering**. This semester, I'm working with Dr. Virgilio Centeno on **ECE 2054 (Applied Electrical Theory)** and **ECE 3304 (Intro to Power Systems)** totaling 102 students. I create assignment rubrics, maintain a quick grading turnaround, promptly respond to student queries regarding homework and grading, tracking Canvas updates, and returning precise, encouraging feedback. A few habits I would carry into your class.

Professional and Project Experience

Before grad school I worked three years at **HSBC Technology** delivering microservice platforms for global mortgage processing. building large-scale applications, **mentoring new engineers** through a revamped onboarding program, designing reusable frameworks, and implementing efficient architectures that ensure faster operations. I have honed my ability to make decisions quickly and strengthened my skills in **documentation, reliability, and mentoring**. Academically, projects such as an FPGA-based digital stopwatch, a remote patient monitoring porta, and Diabetic Retinopathy Detection improved my **data-analysis** skills and sharpened my intuition for **designing systems**.

Collaboration Opportunities

I would gladly develop or polish rubrics and sample solutions, keep dependable office hours, handle forum questions, and document solutions for future reference. I can also leverage my scripting skills (Python/Bash) to automate administrative grading tasks where applicable. If you have time, I would appreciate meeting to explore how I can support and work with you this upcoming semester.

Sincerely,

Yash Moar

In summary: I welcome the chance to support your course and strengthen student learning in the Bradley ECE Department.