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I am pleased to write this letter of recommendation for Yash Shah. Yash successfully completed an assignment as a Teaching Assistant (TA) for my 01:198:142 Data 101 (Data Literacy) course taught at Rutgers University during Spring/2024. Yash was given the assignment as a result of his strong scholastic record.

Yash was assigned his own section of the course and was responsible for teaching data science and R programming to 25 undergraduate students. The feedback I received from his students indicated his performance as a TA was superior.

One indication of Yash's dedication to his TA assignment was based on his volunteering to proctor the Midterm Exam for the course. I asked for volunteers and Yash was the only volunteer among the six TAs for the course. He proactively offered his assistance during the entire semester.

I worked for 30 years in the pharmaceutical industry and was involved in hiring data scientists and statisticians. Yash would have been at the top of my list to hire.

Please let me know if you need additional information or have questions.

Sincerely,

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