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RE: Charlie Yan

Introduction to Human Anatomy & Physiology (Anatomy 14), Spring, 2018

Dear Admissions Committee:

I was pleased when Charlie Yan asked me to write a letter of recommendation for him because I knew that it would be an easy one to compose. Rarely without a smile on his face, Charlie was easy to spot in the back of the lecture hall seated near his beloved bicycle.

Mr. Yan was a model student in all facets of studentdom. He stayed awake in class, asked intelligent questions, completed all assignments, embraced the role of chief dissector and then cleaned up afterwards. Charlie seriously attacked and successfully mastered the subject matter; looking down at the rest of the class from start to finish.

Near the midterm, Charlie disappeared for two weeks. I was disappointed at the prospect of losing my top student. Then I received an email from Charlie telling me he had been involved in a serious accident while riding his bicycle and was hospitalized with head injuries and to please not drop him from the class.

Upon Charlie's return I made it clear it was up to him to secure the missed material from classmates though I would be willing to address specific questions. He agreed, got to work, and finished second in the class. I was truly impressed.

I believe that the combination of Charlie's ability to perform academically at a high level amid adversity, the maturity demonstrated in his interactions with classmates and myself, plus a calming and confident presence honed through years of mentoring, innovating, and management in the real world make him a stellar and unique candidate for your program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. Lim", with a large, stylized flourish extending to the right.

J. Lim, O.D.
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