RECOMMENDATION LETTER : BEFORE

Dear Sir or Madam:

I take great pleasure in recommending XXXX, one of my favorite students, for admission into your distinguished graduate program.

XXXX shifted to our School of Mathematics and Statistics in 2009. She impressed me for the first time in the major transferring interview with her clarity and eloquence. She was admitted to our department supported by her persuasive scores provided and excellent performance in the interview. From our talks, I got to know that she once taught herself and audited the courses of Mathematical Analysis and Advanced Algebra in department of Mathematics, which was beyond the expectation of all the teacher judges on the spot, indicating her full preparation and determination in her target subject. (I want to stress that I was well prepared before shifting my major, such as audited courses, and my outstanding performance during the interview.)

Last year, as a leader of a panel responsible for the Defense of Application for the National Undergraduates Innovating Experimentation Project, I saw Ms XXXX once again. She delivered the application as a supervisor of the project titled "the Influence of Population Aging on Economic Growth" on behalf of her team. During the defense, she made a brief introduction of her team's research plans and vividly illustrated the remarkable impact the aging population have on the social and economic development. It strongly contrasted with the image of her one year ago, becoming mature and expert in her subject, strengthening my favorable impression of her, especially her presentation and outstanding researching ability. When facing the questions raised by the panel members, her fluent and accurate answers revealed her capability of adapting herself to changing circumstances extraordinarily among the students present.

Furthermore, I have once been a temporary teacher for the course of Infinitesimal Geometry for her over a durance of one month, since the original teacher had a provisional trip. She learned actively and more often than not raised some thought-provoking questions and had discussions with me during the class intervals. I pretty much appreciated her ability of combining what she has learned in other relevant courses, like the Mathematical Analysis, to solve problems. I can remember that she discussed about the definition of the smooth curve with me deeply, and she had quite a distinct opinion of it.

I am sure that Ms XXXX will be an outstanding student in any graduate program that she may care to enroll in. I recommend Ms XXXX without reservation and shall appreciate your favorable consideration of her application.