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Recommendation for Roy Yew Hung Chan

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TO: Professor LIU Niancai

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CC: Dr. WANG Qi

It is my distinct pleasure to write this letter of recommendation in support of Roy Yew Hung CHAN application as a Visiting Research Student in the Graduate School of Education, Shanghai Jiao Tong University from February 21, 2011 to July 31, 2011 under the supervision of Dr. Qi Wang.

Mr. Chan has been one of my students in my Master of Education (M.Ed.) course entitled "*Globalization and Higher Education*" at The University of Hong Kong this Fall 2010. While teaching this class, I have observed Roy Chan to be consistent, compassion, and reliable individual who is dedicated to academic excellence in research and is committed to life-long learning. He is a type of individual that can be provided with multiple assignments with little guidance, and can quickly determine the key points of any given problem to formulate an efficient, prudent solution.

Having presented and visited the Graduate School of Education, Shanghai Jiao Tong University on numerous occasions, I understand what is expected to expand the current research in the area of World-Class Universities. During his experience, I desire to serve as Mr. Chan supervisor aiding him on the development of his M.Ed. dissertation project. From our discussion this week, Mr. Chan plans to research on building 'World-Class Universities and Research Universities in Asia,' with particular interest on China's long-term goal to become a "Research Superpower" by 2020. He seeks to work with Dr. Wang, whom I also know personally, to conduct a case study on the benefits and challenges for Shanghai Jiao Tong University and Fudan University to achieve world-class university status.

In the future, Mr. Chan plans to use his M.Ed. dissertation project towards a Ph.D. degree program in Higher Education at the Boston College Lynch School of Education. I believe that the Visiting Research

Student program offered by the Graduate School of Education, Shanghai Jiao Tong University will strongly benefit him in achieving his academic goals. He will be a valuable asset to the research development of World-Class Universities and greatly value the knowledge gained from all the faculty members in the Center for World-Class Universities. By and large, Mr. Roy Chan has my highest and unequivocal endorsement to become a Visiting Research Student at the Shanghai Jiao Tong University.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Rui Yang', written over a horizontal line.

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