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Re: Mr. Yajie Niu

I am pleased to recommend Ms. Yajie Niu for the UT 5-year Masters program.

Yajie took my class CS 375, Compilers, in Summer 2016. She was one of the top students in that class, with a semester average of 97.72. Since then she has served as my undergraduate TA for CS 375 last fall and currently. She has done a fine job as TA, better than some graduate student TAs that I have had.

Although Yajie's first semester in the U.S. did not have high grades, since then she has done very well, and her cumulative GPA is now over 3.5 . She has taken a strong set of undergraduate CS classes.

Her resume shows a good selection of projects, leadership positions, and performance in CS competitions.

It is clear to me that Yajie Niu will do very well in our Masters program, and I recommend her very highly for admission.

Sincerely,

Gordon Novak Professor