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To Whom It May Concern:

I am pleased to recommend Adrian Bao to be the recipient of the Fall 2020 Outstanding Senior Award. Adrian is an ideal candidate for this award based on his academic performance and involvement in various internships. It has been my pleasure to work with Adrian in my previous role as an Academic Advisor and even more closely when I took on the role of Coordinator of Career Development. Adrian's continuous dedication to his academics and internship experiences has proven to be the model for current and future students; he has demonstrated this through his participation in internships with CyVerse, Garmin, and Amazon.

I had the pleasure of first meeting Adrian in Spring 2018, where we met to discuss the logistics of the computer science program. Since then, Adrian has been highly involved in his academic career, meeting with academic advisors and instructors regularly to ensure a thorough understanding of university requirements and course curriculum. This understanding has allowed Adrian to earn a variety of scholarships and awards including: Dean's List with Distinction (Fall 2018), Dean's List (Spring 2019), Academic Year Academic Distinction (2018-2019), Honorable Mention (Spring 2020), Academic Year Honorable Mention (2019-2020).

Adrian has also managed to be very active outside of the classroom, which is clearly seen in his experience with CyVerse. During his time with CyVerse, Adrian has become a key contributor to multiple cloud projects; his contributions range from devops automation to writing microservices. This experience helped establish Adrian's passion for Cloud Computing and ultimately led him to his internship with Amazon in Summer 2020. During his time at Amazon Adrian assumed the role of Project & Design Lead for his internship project; he was responsible for developing a new web service, which was to be the foundation for future extensions, ultimately becoming a full-scale, organization-wide Content Management System for Seller Central. As a result, Adrian has accepted a full-time role with Amazon after graduation, where he will be tasked with enhancing the seller's experience on Amazon.com. Collectively, these experiences make Adrian the quintessential candidate for the Fall 2020 Outstanding Senior Award, and I recommend Adrian without reservation.

Sincerely,

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