



To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to support Sachin Karmani's application for a travel grant to attend IEEE MMSP 2024. Sachin has been a Master's student in Computer Engineering at the University of Waterloo, where he was a student in my Image Processing and Visual Communications course. He's been deeply committed to his research on making computer vision models more explainable, which led to the paper "**KPCA-CAM: Visual Explainability of Deep Computer Vision Models using Kernel PCA**" which he is now eager to present at MMSP. Sachin's academic performance has been equally impressive—he holds a cumulative GPA of 88/100, the highest in his class, which is quite an achievement in our department.

This conference could be a critical event for Sachin as someone who has just begun to explore academic research and has really developed a strong interest in image processing. For him, an international graduate student from Pakistan, this would be a unique and valuable experience. Sachin is a strong presenter, and I'm confident he'll do a fantastic job representing his work to the broader research community. This opportunity would not only benefit Sachin but also help inspire other talented students to pursue advanced research in this field.

However, as an international student, the travel expenses—estimated at USD 1,766—are more than he can afford. We're grateful that this grant is available and appreciate your kind consideration supporting Sachin so that he can attend and present his work at MMSP 2024.

Please feel free to reach out if you need any more information from me.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Zhou Wang", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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