**This student was recently accepted by Stanford U and U. Chicago with full scholarship for his PhD study and accepted Stanford U. offer.**

Dear Ping and Max,

I'm Huaxin. Happy Thanksgiving! How are you? Hope everything goes well! I am a final year undergraduate now and experienced many things in the past year.

Last winter, I wanted to pursue a Dotoral degree in the US after my graduation. I had meant to tell you then, but I was not sure about the idea at that time. However, I decided to have a try finally and I am applying now.

The reason is complex. First, like said before, I feel research is interesting and I enjoy the process of creating new things. In addition, many professors in the US did really good work and I want to join in their group. I think that study in a totally different civilization is beneficial to my development. Besides, most PhD programs offer scholarships and stipends which means I can study without the financial support of my family.

The process of preparation is not easy. I have to get good grades while doing research in the lab. Fortunately, I had a good balance between my courses and experiments. I ranked as top 3% in my major finally. The only pity is that I have not publish my paper until now due to some reasons.

As a international student, I have to take TOFEL to meet the language requirements of universities in the US. Besides, GRE is also required by most schools. I spent the whole summer in my college on learning and reviewing and get relatively satisfactory scores in September.

In the preparing process, I meet many new friends who are outstanding and ambitious. Some high school classmates of mine also tried to study abroad. We are good friends and they gave me a lot help. I am not sure which university would give me a offer in the future but I will try my best.

Tomorrow is Thanksgiving. I hope you and your family had a great holiday and enjoyed some well-deserved time off. Thank you again for your great kindness in my hard times and I wish to meet you one day in the US.

Sincerely,

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