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Dear Classmates of English 301,

Please take a moment to read my application letter and consider me to join your professional writing team during the semester. Please also find attached a copy of this application letter. Currently, I am a third-year student of the Bachelor of Computer Science program at the University of British Columbia. Previous to pursuing this degree, I have graduated with a Bachelor of Economics in SILC Business School in Shanghai, China.

My last undergraduate experience provided me with a team-orientated working mindset, given most of our classwork was done by groups of students. Besides school courses, I also took part in several competitive commercial activities and won a remarkable prize for our varsity team. I think of myself as a team accelerator, who can always motivate those around me and stimulate the best out of them. The international business school I studied in was jointly operated by China and Australia. Courses were taught in English and many credits were allocated on language courses. Thus, I had a long period when I could continuously improve my English writing skills, which is highly valued in the school’s learning objectives. When I was preparing for the application for UBC, I took a considerable amount of time practicing my writing skills and finally received a good mark of 28/30 in TOEFL writing. I used to work part-time at SILC’s Career Development Center. My job was to connect industry professionals with students who were interested in finding a career path. As a result, I practiced professional communication through e-mail, telephone and in person. Through the work experience, I have become more familiar with the codes and standards of professional communication.

As a non-native English speaker, I do not have enough experience exposed to professional writing in English. However, I have confidence in both my general English writing skills and my professional communicating skills. Although I have my weakness comparing to native speakers, I believe self-cognition is also a crucial part of self-development. To be specific, I expect myself to take more effort when writing in teams.

Thank you for taking the time to read my application letter. I am looking forward to being in a team where we can share our new ideas and grow together. If you think I can be a contributory teammate of yours, please contact me via email at samuelshi20@alumni.ubc.ca

Sincerely,

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