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To Whom It May Concern:

I am very pleased to be able to write this letter of support for Mr. Christopher Langhammer, who is applying to participate in the US-Africa Advanced Studies Institute on Mathematical Modeling of Infectious Diseases in Africa. I can recommend and endorse his application without reservation. This young man is very, very good.

My contact with Chris is as one of his instructors this Spring. He is a student in my Biomedical Engineering graduate core course, *Biocontrol, Modeling and Computation*. His interest, curiosity and creativity impressed me right from the start. His questions show some insight and ability to think very deeply about the subject matter at hand. Since this is a survey class and the subject matter changes from week to week, it would be easy to get lost, but Chris shows that he has excellent command of a wide variety of subjects.

Over these past few weeks, I have had a number of opportunities to talk to Chris; I've learned about his background and his interests. It is no surprise to me that he is an MD/PhD student; his participation in class shows that he has a strong command of the medical applications as well as the modeling. I've learned that he has spent some time in Zambia and that he has a strong interest in modeling infectious diseases. Chris has a strong interest in academic medicine and from all the MD/PhD students that I know or have worked with, Chris will undoubtedly succeed.

Chris' training will uniquely position him for this workshop and for conducting research in this area. Chris has completed his first two years of medical school and his first year of his PhD program in Biomedical Engineering.

I would strongly encourage you to invite Chris Langhammer to participate in the workshop. He is a bright, disciplined and mature student with very clear goals. I believe that he has tremendous potential and will develop into an outstanding scientist. I am sure he will impress the organizing committee as he has impressed me.

Thank you in advance for your support. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you need further information.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stanley Dunn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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