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**Note to Prospective Graduate Students**

Your interest in my research is appreciated, but my group has no vacancies for MS students. I work with research students for whom I can provide funding, which unfortunately rules out any additional MS students for the foreseeable future.

I typically fund students who have taken at least one course or an OURE project with me. Exceptions to this rule are made for PhD students; and MS students with unusual skills or experience; as documented by their transcripts, standardized test scores, and employment history.

I consider written and verbal communication skills to be very important components of a student's academic profile. A GRE verbal score above 500 is one indicator of these skills, and one of the requirements for my research assistants.

Sincerely,

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