Dear Sir/Madam,

As a senior student at the Management School at Jinan University, one of the oldest key national universities in China, I will graduate in 2010 with a diploma. However, I believe that will not be the end of my academic life. To build up a great career upon my interest, I am now applying for advanced studies in your quality program, hoping that I can pursue a master's degree in Accounting and Finance at the University of Adelaide along with financial aid if possible.

During my undergraduate course, I figured out how and why I could succeed in the financial world. To some extent, I have a talent for mathematics which plays a crucial role in my academic achievement. I got full marks in Advanced Mathematics as the only person around the whole grade. I have always had a logical, organized, and practical way of thinking, as well as a competitive nature, and maths has always appealed to these characteristics. Besides, I did a lot of readings in my spare time related to the most recent events in Accounting Principles, Taxation Laws, and the World Financial Markets, both Chinese and International. Fortunately, I really enjoy myself in knowing the challenges of today's business and societies. By knowing these, I establish my career goal to be an excellent CFO.

My education so far is characterized by indisputable excellence. During the first three years of my undergraduate studies, my GPA was consistently one of the highest in my class of 215 students. In recognition of my outstanding academic record, the university has selected me to enter into graduate studies without the usually mandatory admission exams, a privilege given to only a few of excellent students each year. I have, however, decided to turn down the offer. Because I believe the experience of studying in the University of Adelaide is more valuable for me.

Here are some reasons for my choice of the University of Adelaide. First, it is the third-oldest university in Australia and is known internationally for the quality of its programs. Second, The Master of Accounting & Finance offers a combination of accounting and finance studies in order to enhance career prospects and extend knowledge of both disciplines. The courses you provide will strengthen my employability in the areas of financial management while providing a professional accounting qualification. Furthermore, this program is designed to satisfy the academic requirements for associate membership of CPA Australia and the Institute of Chartered Accountants Australia (ICAA). That means the course I have will fulfill the requirements of both professional bodies. As far as I know, the program is also recognized as a CFA Program Partner who is also an essential factor as I am concerned. In addition to the reasons above, I really like the fabulous campus and the city of Adelaide.