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Dear Colleagues,

To help your evaluation of our students' credentials, I write to provide greater clarity in the grading and assessment of student work at Tsinghua University. Tsinghua faculty embrace a rigorous assessment practice that is committed to fairness and transparency in the cultivation of student talent. This approach uses grading criteria that is exacting and clearly communicated with frequent assessment points to provide feedback that is both timely and meaningful.

In the ten years prior to spring 2015, 30 percent of A-range grades were given. From fall 2015 through spring 2018, Tsinghua initiated a grading reform: A-range grades (A+, A, A-) were to account for 20 percent of grades given in all courses. In fall 2018, the faculty reaffirmed its commitment to fair and transparent assessment and removed its numeric target for the percent of A-range grades.

When you are evaluating our students' credentials, I encourage you to consider the strength of their achievements within this rigorous academic environment. If grades do factor into your evaluation, please note that Tsinghua University grades stand out against a global trend of grade inflation.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our University Registrar by email at zczx@tsinghua.edu.cn.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gang Peng' followed by a stylized flourish.

Gang Peng
Vice Provost for Academic Affairs