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CB Ph.D. Student Teaching Excellence Award 2025 – Student Sharing by Ma Yaoying

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My name is Ma Yaoying and I am currently a third-year Ph.D. student in the Department of Accountancy. I am honoured to receive the College of Business Ph.D. Student Teaching Excellence Award for the 2025/2026 academic year. During the last two academic years, I have been a tutor for CB2100 (Introduction to Financial Accounting) and CB2101 (Introduction to Managerial Accounting). These teaching experiences have strengthened my ability to clearly explain complex ideas. They have also deepened my understanding of core concepts, which, in turn, supports and enriches my research.

My teaching philosophy emphasises active, student-driven learning. As introductory courses lay the foundation for further studies, I believe that learning should be an active process characterised by preparation, questioning, and engagement, rather than simply a passive reception of information.

Students are expected to review the materials and to come to the tutorials with questions. Class time focuses on interactive problem-solving, encouraging students to articulate their reasoning and learn from one another. Instead of giving immediate answers, I often respond with guiding questions that encourage students to extend their thinking to related situations. This approach helps them to connect concepts between topics and to develop a more integrated understanding of accounting.