## **Supplementary Information for**

## Identification of electronic descriptor for catalytic activity of transitionmetal and non-metal doped $MoS_2$

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PBE functional tends to underestimate the band gap compared to HSE. However, we have carefully checked TM doped  $MoS_2$  calculated by both functionals and found that the band shape is not changed, and the resulting p-band center has only a collective shift as examples shown below (Fig. S1), which does not affect our results. In Fig. S2, we have shown the HSE06 calculated PDOS for comparison with Fig. 2a in our manuscript, where the band shape and the pining of the Fermi level upon doping are consistent with PBE calculated PDOS.



Figure S1. The collective shift of the p-band center calculated by HSE06 compared with PBE functional.



Fig. S2. PDOS of Ru doped, undoped, and Nb doped  $MoS_2$  showing the change of DOS at band edges and the shift of the Fermi level calculated by HSE06.