
**OUTSIDE LETTERS
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Dr. Chair
Department of

Lexington, KY 40506

Dear Dr.

I am pleased to submit this letter supporting the appointment of Dr. Professor of at the University of Kentucky. I have known since when he and I I also worked closely with including the initiation and early implementation of

Today's research university is much broader than that of a decade or so ago. In this light, the faculty must be more diverse in expertise, and present role models that represent this diversity of research and scholarly delivery. epitomizes this new faculty role. he was an outstanding classroom teacher; advisor to graduate students; published in the scholarly journals appropriate to and obtained funding to support his research.

However, was also one of the new breed of faculty

 breaking new ground on what has now become a more familiar pathway for academic researchers. In my view, this is a very important aspect of academic life and a relevant component for some faculty

 made very significant contributions education and participating on and leading numerous boards within and outside academia:

 in distance education distance education and distributed learning represent new challenges and opportunities for higher education; intimate knowledge in these arenas will provide excellent perspectives for the Department of

At a major research university, the rank of full professor is generally reserved for those individuals who have been leaders and pioneers in their academic and scholarly endeavors. has demonstrated outstanding leadership in taking the results of academic research and translating them for the benefit of society. This is still a relatively new model for academic research, and recognized as one of our early national leaders in such efforts. For these reasons and based on his service to higher education and the advancement of more generally, I strongly recommend as a full professor in your Department of

Sincerely yours,

Dr. _____ Chair
Department of _____
University of Kentucky
Lexington, KY 40506

Dear Dr. _____

I am extremely pleased to provide a letter of recommendation for his appointment as Professor in the Department of University of Kentucky. I have known _____ when my spouse became a colleague of his at _____ I was a graduate student in the Department of _____ at the time, and I have watched with fascination the unfolding of _____ career over the last _____-plus years.

I was fortunate to work as a colleague of _____

_____ I had the opportunity to observe undergraduate students, graduate students, research assistants, fellow faculty members, and administrators in the academic setting. He is one of the most inspiring, dedicated, patient, and caring individuals with whom I have had the privilege to work. The combination of his achievements in the academic community and _____

qualify him for appointment as a Professor. Through his publications, research grants and patents, he has laid the theoretical foundation for the many practical advancements _____

_____ In my opinion, he is the epitome of the ultimate _____ One who has impressive ideas; is able to conduct significant, systematic research to develop those ideas; and can implement researched ideas in a manner that will benefit society.

_____ he never ceased being a teacher and mentor. Some of my former students in _____ went to work for _____ and I watched those students blossom under his tutelage. Those students have become incredibly successful, and part of their success is due to the nurture of their careers that they received from Dr. _____

's successes cannot help but provide an enormous amount of encouragement and incentive to University of Kentucky

With the extreme emphasis, not only in the U.S. but worldwide, being placed on the relationship between

will bring an unprecedented blend of expertise in his position as a university professor.

passion for education, and he has continually sought opportunities to remain engaged in, and provide leadership for, academic endeavors at the local, state, and national levels. His service on the

are just a few examples of his commitment and dedication to enhancing education.

The University of Kentucky would be most fortunate to have a Professor in the Department of He will bring an impressive array of vision, experience and skills to this position, and his affiliation with the university will engender a broadening of both the students' and faculty members' understanding of what it means to be a scholar

Sincerely,

Dr.
Associate Dean

University of Kentucky
Lexington, KY 40506

Dear

I am happy to provide a recommendation for
at the University of Kentucky. I first met a high school senior in
and searching for a college major. He took the time to meet with me, and
his friendly manner, coupled with his obvious academic qualifications, were so impressive
that I abandoned all thoughts of and enrolled in the the
following fall. my undergraduate advisor. He closely monitored my progress, and
identified additional advanced courses in other disciplines that would further my knowledge of
He also encouraged my participation in the in order to
complement my with additional courses in . Additionally, he helped
me to secure summer employment at

was very knowledgeable, fair, and well-organized. His
lecturing style was business-like and unpretentious, and students went out of their way to take his
courses. And as it turned out, his course was a great foundation for my current career as a

After completing undergraduate school, I applied for the master's program
assisted me in obtaining a Fellowship. I completed my master's
program served on my master's committee.
encouraged me to continue my studies, and I eventually received a Ph.D. in

I worked for several years in
and now am
I have kept in touch and his subsequent career
of academia has been an inspiration to me as well. So, as you can tell, profound
impact on the direction of my career and life.

In summary, I recommend him wholeheartedly.

Best Regards,

Dr.

I would like to take this opportunity to tell you about my experiences with _____ as a student and

Although I had many excellent professors, _____ stands out from the rest. I give my highest recommendation for his appointment as Full Professor in the _____ University of Kentucky College of _____

My first class under Dr. _____'s thorough knowledge of the material enabled him to present the material clearly and in an interesting manner. Rather than trudging through the syllabus of another required course, _____ directing his instruction to those areas that were not clear to us. The atmosphere in his class was awake, alive. He welcomed questions and did so without intimidation. I once asked a question about _____ and was greeted with an enthusiastic response, even though this

My interest as I neared graduation was _____ was not my assigned adviser, but because of my impression of him _____ I felt I could talk to him about career choices. I was nervous as Dr. _____ welcomed me into his office, stopped what he was doing and took the time to listen to my concerns. He explained the realities of jobs in my area of interest (rare) _____ explained that it took some persistence for this graduate to find the position.

Even though tempered with the knowledge that I might not find work in my desired area, I persisted in my job search and was able to secure a position with _____. There is no doubt that the advice _____ he gave it was an important part of my successful job search.

Eight years after graduation I again had the opportunity to be associated with Dr. _____. Since _____ is not taught in school, _____ "up to speed" with hands-on work and books used _____ One-on-one sessions about _____ were complemented by introductions to _____ open, honest discussion of the facts and plenty of opportunity for matters. He followed the same formula _____ me to "persist" until solutions were found. Perhaps one of his greatest teaching/advising attributes is his sheer enjoyment of finding a solution to a problem and infecting his pupils with the same enthusiasm.

_____ had a powerful influence on my life and for many other students as well. His appointment to Full Professor would be well deserved.

Sincerely,