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To Whom It May Concern:

I highly recommend Kathryn Purviance as a candidate for a teaching position. I have worked with Kathryn in my position as Instructor at the University College of Foreign Languages at the Technical University of Silesia, Poland. I have also been Kathryn's coordinating teacher during her internship.

Kathryn Purviance has been an intern teacher from SIT at the University College of Foreign Languages at the Technical University of Silesia in Gliwice, Poland, from January 8 to January 30, 2015. Kathryn has been responsible for teaching conversations to first, second and third year English Philology students who specialize in Foreign Language Teaching and Translation and Business. Ms. Purviance has taught for 64 hours altogether.

During this time she has planned and implemented a variety of speaking activities, with special focus on cultural aspect of American life, institutions and culture. Kathryn has successfully demonstrated her awareness of different teaching and learning styles, adjusting assignments to meet the diverse needs and levels of students. Her student-centered classes were always thoroughly designed and implemented.

Kathryn's experience in instructing conversation classes involved a plethora of activities. She has made use of real materials and games, which has shown her creativity and resourcefulness. Additionally, she has never failed to insert cultural remarks concerning the USA when appropriate, and she satisfied her Polish students' curiosity by responding to their miscellaneous queries about her country of origin. She was able to activate them and increase their confidence; as for many students Kathryn's classes were the first they have ever had with a native speaker of English. She has also evaluated first year students' speaking skills during the midterm examinations, assessing their individual and group performance.

Kathryn possesses a positive and enthusiastic personality and is very committed to her work as a teacher. She has established a great rapport with her students. She is a good listener, has a great ability to connect with her students and is always ready to offer encouragement or support. Other College teachers have also found her as a strong working

member of our team, with good interpersonal skills and a great sense of humor. Kathryn was not afraid to take suggestions or modify her classes to better suit the needs of her students.

I am confident that Ms. Purviance will be an asset to any staff that she works with in the future. She is confident, knowledgeable, and has the skills of a seasoned teacher. I believe that she will continue to grow and become even more effective as a teacher.

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