

Good Afternoon Professor,

I'm reaching out to you today to discuss my experience during the last semester in your CS4800 class and to request some consideration due to my extenuating circumstances.

In this past semester I have faced many challenges in my personal life that have made it very difficult to succeed in your class. At the start of the semester, I was living with my parents and was a full time student. I signed up for your class with every intention of putting my full effort and time towards succeeding in your class. Unfortunately, after the first couple of weeks of the semester, my living situation changed drastically and I was forced to leave my parents house for fear of my personal safety. I have a challenging relationship with my parents and historically they have been abusive and domestically violent. Recently, the situation at home escalated and reached a climax where it was no longer safe for me to stay in the home. If you would like more information about my family situation, I can expand in a future email.

Since being forced to leave, my older sister took me in for two months while I worked to establish myself financially. I was working a full time work schedule at an Amazon warehouse and a full time school schedule at CalPoly. This was a very demanding schedule but I persisted the best I could. I worked the night shift to allow my full efforts to go towards school during the day time. I soon found myself not having enough time for the 15 units and had to reluctantly drop a class under serious and compelling reasons.

After the two months, I was able to save up and move out of her home and am now sharing a room in a home with roommates. I don't have a support system to lean on nor do I have any other people in my family/ friends that I can go to for help so I have to work to survive. As you can imagine, with these changes in my living situation, the extenuating circumstances with my family, coupled with a demanding school /work schedule, and the general difficulties that come with dealing with the Covid 19 pandemic, it has been a very difficult semester for me.

I was hoping that with the assistant of the second developer, I could have been able to keep up with the class project. Sadly he had dropped mid semester and we were not able to get another developer to recover nor replace him. For these reasons, my team and I are having a hard time

finishing our project, or even to get the program to run right. I wanted to ask if you can consider my extenuating circumstances when evaluating my performance in this project and this class.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best Regards,

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