



Monday, September 18, 2017

To Whom It May Concern,

It is my great pleasure to write this letter of recommendation for George Pappas as he pursues this exciting opportunity. As his Humanities instructor, George has impressed me with his critical thinking skills, problem solving skills, analytical skills, technical literacy, and an overall thirst for learning. George is a proactive leader in our course and the college community, and I am confident he will make an excellent addition to your program.

George brings exciting, new ideas to life, and makes important connections between our course material and real world experiences. Of most import, George is an incredibly inquisitive young man. In our Modern Culture and the Arts (HUM 201) course, George consistently had follow up questions concerning course topics, and pursued these topics in exceptional and advanced ways. Primarily, he was intrigued by the intersection between the arts and the sciences, and how the sciences have been conveyed through culture.

His honors project last year demonstrated this curiosity, and was quite ambitious. Designing a three-dimensional component using AutoCAD and 3D Printing, George demonstrated that a perspective in Science-Technology-Engineering-Mathematics (STEM) is incomplete without the study of the humanities and the arts (ie., embodying STEAM). Furthermore, he delved deep into discussions of the philosophy of fourth-dimensional reasoning via the works of Edwin Abbott Abbott, Henri Poincaré, Albert Einstein and Pablo Picasso. He also pursued an intriguing line of thought concerning the philosophy, psychology and physics of wormholes, blackholes, and our understanding of the cosmos today.

At a personal level, George is a well-disciplined, industrious student with a pleasant personality. He does not shy away from taking risks, and will voice his opinions on course topics. He always explains his views very concisely and gave supporting arguments that were both clear and persuasive.

George has my wholehearted and unequivocal support in this endeavor. I would like to reiterate my strong support for George's application, and I know he will exemplify the quality of your program, surpassing your expectations as he did mine. Please do not hesitate to contact me for any further information. Thank you for your time. You may reach me at [alawler@waubonsee.edu](mailto:alawler@waubonsee.edu) or (630) 466-7900 Ext. 2861.

Sincerely,

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