

To Whom it May Concern:

I have had the distinct pleasure of having John Spartz as a teacher in my Business Writing class and as a great personal advisor for over a year. John has been more than the ideal teacher. In order to achieve the highest expectations of his students and my deepest respect, he has demonstrated outstanding leadership and maintained a clear sense of purpose.

The academics at Purdue University are quite challenging, and John teaches in a way so that the requirements could be matched by all students. He approaches education with an enthusiastic teaching method of letting the students "find their own way." In this manner, he expects high standards of his students, but through taking his course, I found that I learned more from him as a resource than I did from some professor that just lectured and gave assignments. The way that John teaches helps students to utilize their own resources and prepare for the everyday life when we will not be given an assignment and the exact ways to accomplish it. John, himself, has spent a fair amount of time in the college setting, having just obtained his PhD in English Language and Linguistics, and has an excellent mindset as well as the knowledge necessary for what works well for students and him. John is an outstanding extemporaneous teacher that engages and builds relationships with his students both inside the classroom and out. On numerous occasions, I have been able to speak with John about personal and academic issues and he has always been able to assist me. Besides being a joy to work with, John is a take-charge person who is able to present creative ideas. He always found ways to keep students awake during a 7:30am course, which, for a lot of college professors is a difficult task to achieve. For these above listed characteristics, I believe he is a great resource for any English or Linguistics department.

In the classroom, John is consistent, dedicated, passionate, enthusiastic, cheerful and a pleasure to work with. He has incredible creative energies and refreshing ideas tempered to accomplish what needs to be done. Since his colleagues, my fellow students, and I will always hold him in the highest respect, I highly recommend John Spartz as the ideal candidate for any position of work, leadership, education, or any other capacity in which he can share his excitement and talent with others. You can rest assured that you can always depend on John to set the best example as an instructor and a mentor.

If you have any further questions regarding John's ability or this recommendation, please do not hesitate to contact me using the information below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kristina Renee Catt".

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