

Letter of Recommendation

September 10, 2018

Dear admission committee,

It is my pleasure to give my highest possible recommendation for Gabrielle Hayashi Santos for her participation at the 2nd Cultural Exchange Experience Program at Sharda University. I am her research supervisor, professor as well as a doctorate from Oxford University.

I came to know Gabrielle 2 years ago, when I was her Undergraduate Research Supervisor, the same time that I became her professor. The course comprised a lot of reading as well as intensive research, and Gabrielle distinguished herself by submitting an exceptionally well researched and interesting project on ethical practices in ancient Greece. I would rank her in the top 2% of students that I have taught in the past five years in respect of her writing ability and research skills.

Overall, she is highly intelligent and has good analytical skills. Her project on cultural impact and exchange experiences proves her ability to have detailed understanding of the ethical practices of another, very different culture, and to analyze them in comparison to Brazil's culture.

She gave a particularly interesting discussion of the difficult practice of infanticide, and showed both sensitivity and detachment when discussing its ethical consequences. Her overall intelligence is also reflected in her grades for the course, which were by far the best in the class.

Gabrielle has excellent communication skills. Her written work is clear and concise, as well as interesting to read. She demonstrated her oral articulateness in the discussion sections that were an integral part of the course. Each discussion section focused on a particular ethical dilemma. Students were required to analyze morally problematic situations, and to develop and argue for their own ethical views with regard to the issue in question. Gabrielle was highly proficient in applying the course material in analyzing the problem situations. She always explained her views very concisely and gave supporting arguments that were both clear and persuasive. She also demonstrated good teamwork skills in group assignments.

At a personal level, Gabrielle is a well disciplined, industrious student with a pleasant personality. She went well beyond the course requirements in the quantity and quality of her project, putting in a lot of extra research and attending office hours every week. Throughout the course, she demonstrated great perseverance and initiative. Not only was she interested in and motivated to learn the material, but she also put great work into assimilating it to her own experience and developing her own ideas about each ethical topic that we discussed.

Gabrielle is unquestionably an exceptional candidate for this opportunity, due to her extensive passion for different cultures as well as her hunger to know more about them.

She has proven herself to have the perseverance, initiative, and leadership abilities that a successful person is required to have.

Therefore, I give her my highest recommendation and share her excitement to all her future endeavors. If you want or need more information about Ms.Santos, feel free to contact me on my email-
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Respectfully,
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