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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is in support of my Sociology instructor, Tracy Peterchak. My name is Lilly Brown, and I am a senior at Syracuse University studying Economics, Spanish, and Public Communications. I enrolled in *SOC 102: Social Problems*, and I was very pleased with my experience in Ms. Peterchak's class.

Ms. Peterchak's teaching style made this one of my favorite classes at Syracuse. She is always well prepared for class and spends every minute teaching us something valuable. She even precedes the class period with a video or a song that relates to the day's material. The readings that she assigns are fun to read; they're extremely interesting, authentic stories that make you see all sides of an issue, and reconsider what you may have previously believed.

Ms. Peterchak runs class in a very friendly manner. She shows slides with definitions, examples and related videos, and she encourages students to share their knowledge and experiences on the subjects. She is very respectful; she does not expose private information about a student that she may have learned in their essays (as other professors of mine have). She creates a very comfortable environment for sharing and learning. Learning from classmates as well as her power points made me look forward to coming to class. Her essay prompts reflect the course material very well, and add a personal aspect to the issues. The fact that I could examine my own experiences and compare them to what we learned in class made me look forward to writing these essays.

I enjoyed every class period and assignment in Ms. Peterchak's class. Honestly, if I had taken this class earlier, I would've probably majored in Sociology. I highly recommend the course and the instructor.

Sincerely,

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