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Dear HR Executive:

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It is with distinct pleasure and a deep sense of responsibility that I highly recommend Katie T. Gergel for the Creative Affairs Intern position with

Katie is a bundle of energy, enthusiasm, smarts, personality and great ideas!

Katie's diverse interests and multiple experiences are a true plus and differentiator — she is a generalist, but with excellent skills and a background in a number of areas...including television! I know she'd fit in and be a true creative force for you folks, while also "getting" she is there to do support work and grind away at the most basic of tasks — all with a smile!

Katie embodies the highest ideals of the College and the University in all that she does, from the classroom to her role as a student representative on the Alumni Society Board to her leadership in several areas of the University. She is motivated, ethical, hard-working, mature, responsible, altruistic and very talented.

Katie's academic confluence of political science, Spanish and Film-Video dovetails wonderfully with her career goal of telling stories — on television, via digital platforms and with a bent to the issues of the day...with an edge and, when appropriate, with a sense of humor. Her internship at Showtime last summer underscores that, as does her work on-campus with CommAgency, THON and VALLEY Life.

Katie is the epitome of the old saw, "If you want something done, give it to the busiest person you know." Keep her busy and you will be glad you did!

Sincerely,

Mike Poorman
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