



January 22, 2014

To Whom It May Concern:

It is a pleasure to write a letter of recommendation for Magdalena Wozny. Ms. Wozny was a student in my Nursing Research class; Fall 2013 (Nursing 390) at SUNY IT in Utica, New York. In this class undergraduate students learn principles of research and evidenced based research. The course requires each student to demonstrate consistent evidence of critical thinking and analysis, an ability to analyze peer reviewed research and demonstrate its use in clinical practice and finally the ability to write a focused literature review (on a selected clinical topic) based on peer reviewed research. For many students, the research class poses many challenges and my classes are not known to be "easy". However, Ms. Wozny was a truly exceptional student from the beginning of the class, throughout its entirety. **ALL** of her work was very well organized, articulate and demonstrated evidence of weekly and overall class outcomes.

Magdalena Wozny not only stood out to me within the classroom but I had other students who commented that they wished that they would be able to comprehend the course material and write at the level of Magdalena. I have been teaching in higher education for over 25 years, primarily at the graduate level and Ms. Wozny's work and work ethic can be considered graduate level in content and substance. Magdalena was generally the first student to post or submit her work to be graded and all of her work was free of grammar and typo errors, thoughtfully constructed and demonstrating of advanced level critically thinking and analysis.

Employers that are considering hiring Magdalena will find that she is timely and considerate as well as articulate and a very high level critical thinker. She is certainly an asset to any employer and clinical unit in which she works. I do hope that Magdalena will consider continuing on for advanced level education as she has considerable abilities and much to offer the nursing profession. Should you desire more information or have any questions about my reference on Magdalena Wozny, please do not hesitate to contact me at 513-659-1634.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kathleen M. Rourke', written over a faint circular stamp.

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