



Institutional Effectiveness and Planning

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RE: Recommendation for Erik Thompson

Hello,

Erik Thompson is one of my students at Eastern Washington University, and I was excited to hear that he was applying for the M.S. in Business Analytics program at Gonzaga University. I highly recommend Erik for this program! Erik is an active and engaged student in my Data Visualizations course, and I'd like to share a couple of examples with you.

Erik is a member of a data analyst "team" in my course, and he and his teammate consistently deliver assignments that are professional, thorough, and high-quality. Erik works well with his teammate, and they play to each other's strengths. If the M.S. in Business Analytics program encourages group work and camaraderie, Erik will absolutely thrive in that environment.

Erik is also my most actively engaged student. We use Microsoft's Power BI app in my class, and if a student is having difficulty creating something in Power BI, Erik is always willing to help. His inquisitive and friendly demeanor brings many engaging discussions, which helps all students in the class.

I have no doubt that Erik will thrive in your program and be an exemplar of Gonzaga's mission to live in "service for the common good."

Sincerely,

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