

December 14, 2009

To Whom It May Concern:

During the Fall 2009 semester, Steve Zanotti was a student in the distance section of EDTEC 541 that I taught. During this time, Steve repeatedly demonstrated his capacity to thrive in the Educational Technology Masters Program at SDSU.

Steve immediately established himself as one of the most advanced students in the class. He exceeded the expectations on each class assignment and on the final project. Additionally, he actively participated in the forums and offered his assistance to his fellow classmates. On a couple occasions, I responded to questions posted in the forum, only to find out Steve had provided a solution within an hour or two of the request for help. As a result of his initial efforts, the students used the forum to solicit help from one another, building an essential sense of community I believe important to an online class.

Overall, Steve Zanotti has the capabilities to be extremely successful within the Education Technology Master Program. I fully recommend his admission to the program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dan McDowell', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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