



[DATE REDACTED]

Emeritus Committee  
University of Connecticut

Dear Emeritus Committee:

I am writing to strongly recommend [NAME REDACTED] the designation of emeritus status. NAME is a quintessential teacher both in our UConn classrooms where she has been a lecturer in [UNIT REDACTED] since YEAR, and beyond. NAME will retire in DATE as a lecturer, and thus will not automatically receive emeritus status at retirement. The requirements for emeritus are that: *“faculty go above and beyond the expectations of research, teaching, and/or service for their position. Faculty must excel in one or more of these three areas, and thus have helped to elevate the university.”* As a faculty member appointed in a teaching position at UConn for XX years, **NAME has clearly excelled in both teaching and service, very frequently going above and beyond the expectations for her job, and thus meets the criteria for emeritus status.**

NAME has been a student or faculty at UConn since YEAR, approaching XX years. She earned her DETAILS ABOUT DEGREES. DETAILS ABOUT JOINING UConn AND POSITIONS AT UConn. NAME is one of our most distinguished instructors, adored by her students for her caring and supportive nature and ability to teach TYPES OF CLASSES in a creative and engaging way. In YEAR she won the inaugural DEPARTMENTAL Faculty Teaching Award – we could not imagine someone better suited for this award. And, in YEAR **she won the UNIVERSITY-WIDE TEACHING AWARD.**

During these years she has enlivened her classes with dynamic and engaging learning experiences, providing UConn students with a breadth of knowledge about DETAILS. **NAME reaches students on every UConn campus** through her online introductory course in COURSE NAME piping in students from the Stamford campus through iTV coursework in DETAILS, as well as in her DETAILS on the Storrs campus where she is based. **She teaches a wide range of topics in DETAILS throughout the year to university and college students here and around the State**, and to DETAILS in their communities. Through agreement with our department and the Provost’s Office, she reaches DETAILS. In addition, she teaches so many additional sections in the winter and summer that she cannot take all of the salary, and instead, uses these funds from a research account to provide student scholarships. **She is widely regarded around the State as the expert of DETAILS.** She teaches the DETAILS through workshops, trainings, and on-line learning opportunities extending her ‘classroom’ to the entire State of Connecticut.

**Throughout her long career, NAME has consistently worked to advance her training to become a better teacher and to be fluent in the latest and most cutting edge teaching practices.** She has been a stalwart proponent of equal opportunity, civil discourse, and social justice principles for decades. Starting in YEAR, NAME sought out and was trained in the newest information about DETAILS. Valuing differences and learning how to communicate respectfully with diverse audiences is deeply ingrained in her approach to teaching university students. Encouraging discussion of the several sides from which to consider most topics, NAME’S classrooms are inclusive of critical thought and vocal expression of diverse

views. DETAILS ON ADDITIONAL TRAINING. In our university classrooms and around the State, NAME has DETAILS ON ENACTING TRAINING

It is hard to fully capture NAME'S impact on generations of UConn students, many who went on to become CAREER DETAILS around the state and country. Former students continue to stay in touch with NAME because their education from NAME had a lasting impression on their future careers. In conversations with these students, they describe NAME'S ability to make courses hands-on to fully prepare them for careers in DETAILS. In the words of one former student, "If you get to experience a class with NAME, you will instantly see that she is there for the pure love of teaching and commitment to shaping the next generation of CAREER DETAILS." Many of these former students describe her as their favorite teacher. One student went as far to say "NAME is the only person, not just teacher, who I can honestly say changed my life." Clearly, **NAME doesn't simply teach her students – she inspires them, and impacts their lives and careers for many years to come. She sets the foundation so that they can go off and successfully CAREER DETAILS in their own careers.**

**NAME does not only excel as an instructor, but also has provided excellent service to the university, and service around the state that enhances the reputation of UConn.** She is the faculty member who always says yes when asked to provide service to the department, from serving on committees to being the faculty member who attends all of our student open houses, parent weekends, scholarship ceremonies, graduation celebrations, and other student- and family-facing events. She served as the DEPARTMENTAL LEADERSHIP ROLE for five years beginning in 1990, consistently serves on the DEPARTMENTAL Committee, has served on the DEPARTMENTAL Committee the entire time I have been at UConn, and has served on the DEPARTMENTAL Committee since its inception. Beyond the department, she serves as the faculty advisor to DETAILS.

**At a broader level, NAME'S influence on the DISCIPLINE DETAILS is extensive and far-reaching.** She has served as Editor of the Newsletter of the ORGANIZATION for more than 20 years, and has published almost yearly articles in this newsletter. She regularly presents for UConn DETAILS, other OUTSIDE UNIT DETAILS, UConn Early College Experience teachers, OUTSIDE UNIT DETAILS, community college students, TYPE OF CAREER DETAILS, and has given many DETAIL trainings to the UNIT DETAILS. She regularly organizes conferences, such as the DETAILS. She also consults with many different institutions and organizations, such as FOUR NAMED UNITS OUTSIDE OF UConn. In addition, she serves on DETAILS boards, such as FOUR NAMED UNITS OUTSIDE OF UConn, where she also served as president for ten years. **It is hard to overstate her influence on the field of DETAILS in the state of Connecticut.**

**In summary, I cannot imagine a faculty member who could have excelled more in the areas of teaching and service than NAME, and her work has elevated UConn's reputation.** She is an amazing instructor who regularly inspires students, and always furthers her own education. She has far-reaching influence on the field of DISCIPLINE across the state of Connecticut, influencing policy and practices around the state. **And even after she retires, her influence on her former students will continue on in the ways that they continue CAREER DETAILS across the state, and around the country and the world.**

NAME, Professor and Department Head  
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