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Graduate Program Director

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Dear Committee Members,

I am writing in recommendation of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as a candidate for the M.A. program in history at College of Charleston. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ has been my student for two semesters, and she as has exhibited academic ability and ambition that goes above and beyond the level at which most entering graduate students perform.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ has also proven herself to be a very bright young woman. During class discussions, she has often made critical points that demonstrated her outstanding ability to read critically and successfully analyze difficult material. The same critical thinking consistently appears in her written work, as well.

I understand that the distinction and honor of departmental scholarships should be reserved for the most distinguished and promising students, which is why I believe that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ outstanding academic ability and performance qualifies her as such a candidate.

Thus, I hope that you will help her further her education goals by admitting her to your program. I appreciate your time and consideration on her behalf.

Sincerely,

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