

Note: student has a 3.96 GPA.

From: ZZZ

Sent: Thursday, March 7, 2024 10:20 PM

To: Daugulis, Olafs <olafs@Central.UH.EDU>

Subject: Re: Request for Letter of Recommendation for Graduate School Application

Thank you so much! You should receive an email both from EngineeringCAS and YYY for the letter submission. I have also attached my resume, statement of purpose, and unofficial transcript.

I have thoroughly thought through and researched what I need to do for my graduate studies in terms of getting a job afterwards, so I am fully prepared for the future. **My original degree choice (biology/psychology) was not well thought out in terms of post-undergraduate employment. Of course, I'm not exactly thrilled about funding another administrator's newest addition to their exotic car collection or some random coach's million dollar salary, but to transition myself into a more favorable industry, I need a different degree. It is the unfortunate consequence of my previous choices regarding my undergraduate degree. I am confident that I am not making that same mistake a second time.**

Thank you so much again,

ZZZ

On Mar 4, 2024, at 10:49 AM, Daugulis, Olafs <olafs@central.uh.edu> wrote:

Will do, send instructions/links/etc

HOWEVER, consider the following: think carefully about "graduate studies" and make sure that there are other results than enriching university with your (probably quite considerable) tuition payments. That is, investigate what is % of job placement after master's studies, what are the salaries, what % of graduates are admitted to med/professional school if that is what you want, etc. Think about economics, which for some reason students often fail to do and end up saddled with tons of debt. Remember, that in most cases you will have to repay tens if not hundreds of thousands of \$ you need for these studies, and that can be quite painful.

A trend that I have observed lately is that schools try to extend the stay of students to collect more tuition so they can fund more \$MILLION football coaches and 300K/year Associate Vice Administrators for Something Useless.

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To: olafs@uh.edu <olafs@uh.edu>

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Dear Dr. Daugulis,

I hope this email finds you well. My name is ZZZ, and I am emailing to ask if you would be willing to write a letter of recommendation for my applications to graduate school. I am currently about to graduate with a dual degree in Biology and Psychology, and I am applying for a Masters of Engineering in Chemical and Biomedical Engineering from AAA, BBB, and CCC.

I received an A in CHEM 2323 with you during the Spring Semester of 202X. I have since fallen in love with chemistry and I want to further my education in the subject. I have read the file on your website with your guidelines for asking for letters of recommendation. I am more than willing to provide any additional information you may need. Thank you very much for considering my request.