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The Evergreen State College  
MiT Program Admissions

To Whom It May Concern,

It is my pleasure and privilege to recommend Vincent Le as a candidate for the Masters in Teaching Program. Vincent was my student in a demanding two quarter program, Culture as History, during fall and winter 2022. From the first, Vincent made clear that he wanted to teach and was returning to school to sharpen and improve his academic skills, but also to “extract more joy from learning.” Indeed, he succeeded in his efforts. Vincent approached each text, film, and other program material with engagement and enthusiasm. He pushed beyond the requirements to develop his ideas and put materials into the context of the program. His extensive notes supported his preparation for seminars, workshops, and other activities and we counted on his leadership and support of his peers.

As we noted in our evaluation of his work, Vincent “noticed quiet members of the program and invited them into the conversation by asking them a question. As a future educator, his skills in this area will serve him well.” From our conversations about teaching, I know that he intends to focus on teaching mathematics and to that end, he worked extensively with Vaughn Foster-Grahler, not only honing and refreshing his knowledge of the discipline, but also noticing Vaughn’s teaching methods and strategy. Vincent also has experience as a substitute teacher, so understands classroom dynamics from that challenging perspective as well.

Finally, as you’ll see from Vincent’s transcript, he is an outstanding student whose diligence and intellectual curiosity serves him well. He will be an asset to your program; I highly recommend him and look forward to see where he takes his graduate studies.

Please let me know if you have any questions—

Susan Preciso, Faculty Emeritus