



CANADIAN ACADEMY

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To Whom It May Concern:

I worked with Judith Norman this year in my second grade classroom. She came in to provide multicultural resource support. I work in an international school with a diverse population, both culturally and linguistically. Judith worked well with this population.

Judith created a curriculum that focused on the children developing an awareness of how they are affected by their own culture, and gaining skills in promoting intercultural friendships. She used many strategies and techniques. These ranged from using books and discussions as a springboard, to creating games and simulations.

We worked well together. Judith integrated her curriculum to fit with what we were doing in class, so the students had an integrated, multi-disciplinary approach to information. Judith has skills at developing relationships with adults and children. Although she worked with the children in groups, she was also able to connect with them individually. She is able to take complicated issues and present them to children in ways that they can understand.

I am aware that one reason Judith is pursuing an advanced degree in counseling, is her desire to help facilitate children's thinking and skill development. I have seen her do this first hand, and believe that she already possesses a great deal of skill in these areas. I support and encourage her pursuit of a degree and/or credential that would allow her to do this, at our, or any other institution. I whole-heartedly recommend her as a candidate for enrollment in your graduate level program.

If you would like to contact me please feel free to do so at 81-78-452-2146.

Sincerely,

Paula O'Neill
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