

From: Jamie King <mister.net@gmail.com>
Subject: **Re: Letter of Recommendation**
Date: May 13, 2010 11:21:27 AM MDT
To: Chuck Allison <chuck@freshsources.com>

Sorry this took so long. Trying to use words about my experiences as your student just do not suffice. I honestly gave this all I had, but I feel it is mere meagerness compared to how much you influenced my career, life, and attitude.

Bruce put me through the works when we would correct the work I did for him. I went through the same cycles on this one, but I'm still not satisfied with it. Touch it up as you like. If you want me to stress something else somewhere, etc. Let me know, and I'll do it.

March 29, 2010

To whom it may concern,

I graduated Valedictorian of from the UVU Computer Science department in 2004. I worked closely with Professor Allison (Chuck) for three years as his student and also as an intern on one of his texts.

Chuck came to UVU in 2001 during my second year in the Computer Science major. At that time, I was doing well and learning from the other fine faculty. However, Chuck quickly proved to be a good student's dream teacher. Not only is he an academic master, but he also brought several years of professional experience. Being in his presence opened my hunger for excellence, and I quickly yearned to be the professional he is.

Not only is Chuck a genius, but he explains seemingly complex technical concepts in simple down-to-earth ways. Whether in front of a class or one-on-one for office hour, Chuck quickly identifies gaps in student knowledge and adapts his teaching to fill it. He is also approachable. I attended nearly ever office hour he held drilling him with pages of questions, and not once did he tire of my curiosity. I am grateful that I had opportunity to feast at his table of knowledge.

Chuck is extremely detail oriented. His is a careful master that stresses excellence and near perfection. He sets the bar high, and then works tirelessly to help his students reach it. I am one of several that will testify to this fact.

Because of Chuck's influence, I have spent a bulk of my time passing our shared passion to students of my own at Neumont University. Chuck's training proves invaluable in both my software and my teaching. Neumont's unique approach receives a lot of national attention via press and academic conduits. Chuck's influence plays a critical role in how I address, teach, and lead my students. Most importantly, I know how to learn on my own, one of the most critical talents Chuck helped me to discover.

In conclusion, please seriously consider Chuck for [[[POSITION]]]. He will excel in it as he has with his previous roles, and that enthusiasm and determination with enthuse those who work with him.

Thank you for your time.

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On Mon, Mar 29, 2010 at 1:21 PM, Jamie King <mister.net@gmail.com> wrote:

HECK YA! WHAT GOES AROUND COMES AROUND! GIVE ME A DAY OR TWO. I want to nail it for you like you did for me.

After the 3 hour grind, I didn't get the job. Long story short, there's a lot I need to learn to do graphics. Anyways, now I wonder if I want to do that or not. Debating...

Laurie rocks.

On Mon, Mar 29, 2010 at 7:24 AM, Chuck Allison <chuck@freshsources.com> wrote:

Hi Jamie,

How are things progressing on that job? By the way, do you know Laurie Miller? She's at UVU now and I understand that she was instrumental in crafting some of the curriculum at Neumont.

I have a small request that I hope you wouldn't mind fulfilling. I am applying for promotion in the Fall, and it just occurred to me that your perspective on my contributions would be very helpful. I imagine not too many professors ask a former student for a letter of recommendation! Anyway, the fact that you and I are still in touch I think is most cool and hopefully the promotion committee will agree. Perhaps you can say a little something on our joint efforts and the effect it has had on your career. I will be chiefly be evaluated on my work of the last 5 years, which I realize is after your graduation, but since you continue to work with Bruce, and since perhaps a little of your success has been affected our work together, the committee might be favorably impressed. They are particularly keen on anything that supports a national/international reputation.

In any case, would you mind putting a little something together in the next couple of weeks or so? I'd really appreciate it!

-- Chuck