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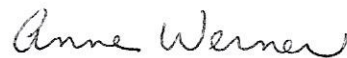
I am writing in response to a request from one of our construction management students, Alexis Schad, who is applying for the ACI Missouri undergraduate scholarship and asked me to provide a letter of recommendation. Alexis was a student in my construction materials class last semester. This semester she is working with me on a project funded by SIUE's Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities (URCA) program.

Alexis is an excellent student. She actively participates in class, takes on leadership roles, and last semester was the top student in my class. When not in class or performing research activities, Alexis spends time volunteering with our department's AGC affiliated Constructor's Club helping to build a local playground and participating in a tornado relief trip to Washington, Illinois. She is also the secretary for SIUE's Web Radio station. She is a lifetime member of Girl Scouts of America.

Alexis is performing graduate level research and doing an excellent job. She has demonstrated the ability to rapidly learn standard test methods, develop a schedule for work completion, and work independently in the lab. Alexis has also shown an interest in concrete as a construction and building material. Last semester she created an innovative formwork technique to create a concrete object as part of a class project and this semester our URCA project involves investigating portland cement based material behaviors.

We are looking forward to watching Alexis progress through our curriculum. We are confident that she will make an outstanding graduate and construction manager. Thank you for considering Alexis for the scholarship.

Sincerely,



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