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Dear Autumn,

I am pleased to write this letter of commendation to you for your service on the Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) Development Team. Our work to develop a plan for ACU's QEP, the second component of our Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) reaffirmation, is important for the enhancement of student learning.

As a member of the Development Team, you have worked diligently and tirelessly in all phases of the development of *Pursuit*, our Quality Enhancement Plan. In December 2009, we began our bi-weekly and then weekly meetings and subcommittee meetings as we worked to define what we believed Research Literacy involves, research the literature and best practices for our topic, write student learning outcomes and appropriate actions need to implement those outcomes, and plan a timeline and budget.

The work we began so long ago was rewarded with accolades of success from the SACSCOC visiting committee when they worked on our campus in April. We received no recommendations from the committee but only comments praising your vision and attention to detail. The committee was very impressed with all phases of their visit to ACU, including the friendliness and beauty of our campus. Thanks so much for enthusiastic work and diligence in service to Abilene Christian.

It is my pleasure to serve ACU with you.

Sincerely,

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