



August 27, 2010

Tenure and Promotion Committee
Abilene Christian University
Abilene, TX

Dear Members of the Selection Committee,

I am writing this letter in support of John Ehrke with regard to making progress toward tenure. I have seen John grow very quickly into a competent teacher and mentor of our students. Most recently I was very impressed with the work he accomplished in the Differential Equations class. Students in that class were required to make presentations over material that applied the theory to real scenarios. The presentations were top quality and would not have been possible without John's guidance and expertise with several different pieces of technology.

Technology is very much the niche that John is carving for himself. He is leading the way in our department with regard to the mobile initiative. He has the best understanding of the current tools that are available and has the willingness to try them. This is evident with his current case study in the Quantitative Reasoning course at ACU. His Mobile Fellow project is a very good experiment in the use of technology and our department will benefit from the findings.

John has demonstrated that he has a willingness to learn from senior faculty. He frequently consults with me concerning content and assessment of mathematics courses. I benefit from those discussions often by hearing his ideas.

It is rewarding to write a letter during the tenure process for a colleague that was a former student. It is a reminder that what we teach and how we teach is important business. John is getting started in his career at ACU much earlier than I did and will no doubt be writing letters of support for many former students in their various pursuits. He is deserving of the tenure committee's support and I recommend him without reservation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jason D. Holland". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jason" being the most prominent part.

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