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To Whom It May Concern:

It is my pleasure to recommend Ryan Brennan for admittance to the Communications graduate program at Southern Utah University. I had the opportunity to have Ryan in one of the course I was the instructor of at LDS Business College. The class I taught was designed for first time freshman college students and was intended to help students transition from high school to college, to navigate post-secondary education, and to build helpful relationships with peers and instructors. My experience was one that students tackled the course in two different ways. Students either saw the class as an easy grade and put very little effort into their personal growth and learning or they dove into the content and applied it to their own experiences and how they would succeed in college. Ryan is an example of the second student.

Ryan, from the first day of class, was dedicated to learning. He was encouraged, ambitious, humble, and eager. He often contributed to class discussions with insightful comments and questions. He was never shy to challenge himself and to set goals that were difficult yet attainable.

In addition, Ryan is great working with a team. Much of our class time was spent working in small groups. Working in groups is imperative for college and career success. I often watch students not only to ensure they are staying on task but also to observe how they interact in a group setting. Ryan has a great mix of contributing to the group work but also listening and respecting others views and objectives. His dedication to learning and his ability to work in teams is only two of his many great qualities that make him an excellent candidate for your graduate program.

I really enjoyed having Ryan in class. I have no hesitation in recommending him and I know he will be an asset to your program and your school. If you have further questions or would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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