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Recommendation Letter for Scott Hays

Dear Colleagues:

It is my pleasure to recommend Scott Hays for a teaching position. Scott first came to UC Irvine Extension in May 2001 to teach in our creative writing program. In his time with us he has developed and taught multiple classes: *Writing to Influence Public Policy & Politics*; *Effective Online Writing & Interactive Storytelling*; *Introduction to Digital Media*; *Getting Published, Getting Paid as a Freelance Writer*; *The Art of Literary Journalism*; *Writing the Nonfiction Book Proposal That Sells* and *From Creation to Delivery: Effective Business Presentations*.

Scott's teaching is academically sound and he has creatively inspired many. Scott has consistently gone "above, over and beyond" the call of duty in all respects, and his student evaluations have consistently ranked him outstanding. Scott is a natural in the classroom and online. His passion, enthusiasm and professional expertise inspire students. He structures his syllabus around lectures that build content and context sequentially, and as an empathetic listener is superb in critiquing and motivating students.

On a personal note, Scott is the consummate professional. His dedication to learning is matched by his genuine warmth and consideration for others. He is personable, diplomatic, and he brings out the best in the people who worked with him. I know I can always count on Scott.

I wholeheartedly recommend your consideration of Scott Hays. If I can provide additional information, please feel free to contact me directly at 949-824-5990, or via email, krockefe@uci.edu.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'K. Rockefeller'.

Kirwan Rockefeller, Ph.D.
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