

September 19, 2006

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Dear Dr. Sandell:

This letter is documentation that I have reviewed your AY 2005-2006 Professional Development Report in my role as past chairperson for the Department of Educational Studies: Elementary and Early Childhood.

I have reviewed the following sections and can report that you completed your activities with thoughtfulness, professionalism, and collegial spirit:

- 1. Revised course syllabi, including PEPER formatting
- 2. Active learning activities for your course assignments
- 3. Use of D2L as a platform for enhancing communications with students
- 4. Literature search and conference presentation proposals
- 5. Survey of financial resources to support scholarly work
- 6. Survey of potential publication resources
- 7. Reflection and revision of your philosophy of teaching
- 8. Reflection and revision of your philosophy of research and scholarship
- 9. Reflection and revision of your philosophy of service
- 10. Completion of the Faculty Teaching Certificate Program at MSU
- 11. Attendance at several professional conferences
- 12. Renewal of your Minnesota teaching licenses
- 13. Service on two department committees and on the College's International Studies Committee

Your international interests and commitment will help lead our department in improving our diversity and the global view of our student body. In addition, I want to compliment you on your efforts to foster the professional growth of our students. Your participation with Block I faculty in student seminars has contributed a great deal to the advancement of student professionalism. Furthermore, you went the extra mile in welcoming students into your home at the close of each semester. This encourages our students in their growth as our peers and fellow teachers.

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Congratulations on completing your report. I am certain that our department's Personnel Review Committee will also be enthusiastic about your performance.

Sincerely,

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