

November 17, 2011

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter in support of a peer review for Dev Bose, a colleague at Greenville Technical College. In June 2011, Dev Bose substituted for two of my courses, *Professional Communication* (English 165) and *English Composition* (English 101), for five consecutive days. During this time, Dev's organization, rapport with students, and use of active learning created a positive and productive learning environment for my students.

In my *Professional Communication* course, Dev instructed the class based off of my own lesson plans, but also added his own learning activities for grammar lessons and group work. In addition, Dev taught new concepts to the students, administered quizzes, and efficiently dealt with student issues for five class sessions. He provided daily updates, attendance records, and well organized notes on the student's progress. Upon returning, students showed a substantial increase in knowledge of course concepts due to Dev's teaching style. Nearly all students (approx. 95 %) passed their next quiz, which Dev had prepared them for.

In *English Composition*, Dev not only taught the course, but built an impressive rapport with students. This rapport was noted by Dev's ability to learn student's names, praise their efforts, respond constructively to student opinions, and recognize when students did not understand. Upon returning, students praised Dev as an instructor, even asking if they could sign up for his classes in the future. Students noted that Dev's enthusiasm, subject knowledge, organization, and use of technology (via PowerPoint and Internet examples) made class enjoyable and informative.

Finally, after observing his work in and out of the classroom, let me unequivocally state my strong support of Dev Bose as an instructor and colleague. His teaching abilities are both impressive and admirable. If you have any questions or need more information, I am happy to assist.

Sincerely,

(name removed for purposes of confidentiality)
English Instructor