

LETTER OF REFERENCE

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To Whom It May Concern:

It is a genuine pleasure for me to recommend Nick Olynyk for consideration at the *Martlet* for the upcoming year. Nick has worked for and with me during the 2007-08 publishing year at the University of Windsor's student paper *The Lance*. Nick worked as a reporter for the news section and was a regular and consistent contributor each week. He also offered story ideas, opinions and constructive criticism during editorial meetings.

Nick joined us early in the first semester of school, in 2007, demonstrating his cordial, curious and outgoing nature. He had an interest in writing and was eager to participate, receive criticism and to learn. He grew into a dependable asset around the office.

Each week Nick prepared a news item for the paper, while attending our editorial meetings and making contributions around the office. He continuously looked to improve upon his skills and build a positive working relationship with everyone around the office. He has a passion for writing and is a great team worker, is always receptive to requests and feedback, and is a general pleasure to work with.

His news sense gives him a great knack for spotting important stories as they present themselves. In particular, as a member of the varsity hockey team here at the school, when the team was undergoing major changes in the coaching department, Nick worked discreetly to help us get the scoop on stories in and around the athletics department. If Nick had remained at the University of Windsor, *The Lance* would have been pleased to continue to have him on our staff, and I'm certain that you will feel the same way.

Sincerely,

Ryan Rogers
The Lance, Editor in Chief