

September XX, 202X

Dear Members of the GSC Research Grant Committee,

I am writing to support John Doe's application for GSC Research Grant funding. John is a XX-year PhD student in [THE TITLE OF THE MAJOR] in the College of [NAME OF THE COLLEGE OR DEPARTMENT]. They successfully defended their comprehensive exams a couple of weeks ago and are in the process of writing the dissertation proposal. John's progression from coursework to this stage of their program has been a real pleasure to watch. They maintain steadfastness in their studies, explores a range of perspectives and receives feedback on their work in productive ways.

John's research proposal is an idea they generated as a result of an independent study they undertook in 202X. After learning more about Critical Language Pedagogy, John was intrigued and wanted to think about this theoretical framework with undergraduate students in a course they teach. John's study was approved by IRB. The funding offered by the Graduate Student Council will support John to effectively collect and analyze their data.

It is without question that I believe John's proposed research deserves support with the GSC Research Grants.

Sincerely,

[SIGNATURE of the Department Chair, Director of Graduate Studies, or Dissertation/Thesis director]

[Professor's contact information, such as their title, department, telephone number, and email]