

To the review board,

I am writing to enthusiastically endorse Professor Suzanne Nielsen to Full Professor at Metro State University. As a student within the English Department, I have had the privilege of working closely with Professor Nielsen for the last 4 years during which time I have observed firsthand their extraordinary talent, dedication, and impact as a creative writing educator. Professor Neilson has been pivotal to fostering my pursuit for higher education, which has led to my completion of my Bachelors in English with my minor in Creative Writing and my pursuit in Masters in Liberal Studies.

Professor Nielsen is not only a gifted writer but also a passionate and innovative teacher who consistently inspires students to achieve their highest potential. Her classes are known for fostering a vibrant and supportive learning environment where students feel encouraged to take creative risks and explore new perspectives. Many of her students have gone on to publish their work or receive awards, a testament to Professor Nielsen's mentorship and guidance.

In addition to her teaching, Professor Nielsen is a respected member of the academic community, contributing significantly to the field of creative writing through her own publications and through academic publication leadership. Her work has been published in a book, and has been recognized for its unique and real voice. She brings fresh insights and enthusiastic energy into the classroom.

Beyond Professor Nielsen's academic contributions, she is deeply committed to supporting students and the broader literary community. She regularly participates in workshops, conferences, and public readings, and has been instrumental in organizing the Haute Dish Art and Literary Magazine. Her leadership and service have made a lasting impact on the Creative Writing department and institution.

In summary, Professor Nielsen is an exceptional educator, writer, and scholar whose contributions to creative writing are invaluable. I have no doubt that they will continue to excel as a Professor and I strongly recommend them for this honor.

Please feel free to contact me if you need any further information or insights into Professor Nielsen's qualifications.

Sincerely,

Lisa Castillo

Current student in the MLS program at Metro State University.