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Dear Dr. Marsh,

It is with sincere gratitude that I write you this letter. Since graduating from the U of R in December 2006, the impact that you had on my scholarly and otherwise intellectual life becomes more and more clear.

When you arrived at the school in my third year of Music Performance, I was in a state of distress. The classes that I was taking, although informative and interesting, were not matching with what I was seeing (or hearing!) happening in the world around me. From music on the radio to the use of new technologies to colonization and political climate, I was struggling with how to match this up with my studies in music. As soon as I entered your classes (starting with Pop Music and Art and Technology), I was gifted the chance to critically engage with my own experiences, as well as those of the society around me. Had you not arrived and challenged me in this way, I doubt I would have finished my degree with the passion and pride that I did.

Furthermore, the undergraduate level of study wasn't enough for me! The fervour for academic work that you instilled in me has been growing steadily, and I am therefore hoping to do a Masters degree in Interdisciplinary Fine Arts studies. Although going to another university could be an option, I feel that would be an injustice to my own reasons for doing the degree. That is, having studied with you in undergrad classes, I am motivated to continue these studies but at a more intensive level. The more I learn from you, the more I want to learn! And really, that's the key to intellectual passion, isn't it?

I greatly look forward to our continued academic relationship!

With the utmost respect and admiration,

Elizabeth Curry