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David, Margaret, and Dan,

Cora Wiesenbach is a student in Solar Power for Africa, CHE3010 and will be traveling to Ethiopia from December 5 to December 23 for a service project affiliate with UC International with 13 other students. Since this is about a 26-hour flight and we need to travel by bus another 12 hours the trip takes two weeks and the only window in the dry season is during Christmas break and during exam week. I take this trip each year with a different group of students and generally the students makeup their final exams either before they leave or when they return in January.

I hope that you can make special arrangements for Cora so that she can have this experience without a major impact on her grades. The trip is a significant learning experience. UC has a formal arrangement with Dire Dawa University and Cora will work with Ethiopian students in the manufacture and installation of outdoor solar lighting in an isolated small village in the Oromo Mountains.

Please contact me if we need to discuss this.

Best regards,

Sincerely,

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