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Dear UC Faculty member,

Jacob Bollman 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 each way 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 Jacob so that he can have this experience without a major impact on his grades. The trip is a significant learning experience. UC has a formal arrangement with Dire Dawa University and Jacob 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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