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Jean Picker Semester-in-Washington Program Recommendation Form

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Recommender name:

Student name:

The Semester-in-Washington Program is particularly demanding. Students must hold an internship (20-40 hours/week), take a regular college-level seminar plus a course on research design, and complete a double-credit research paper requiring a good deal of self-direction.

Please comment on the student's qualifications for this program, especially their academic skills and evidence of dependability and self-reliance.