Dear Mr. _____:

I write this letter to inform you about some of my ideas concerning the relations between students and professors at the George Washington University. Having graduated from this university, I must say I am glad that I have chosen George Washington University for my studies. I enjoyed the time I spent there as I have got much useful knowledge to become a good specialist later. I deeply respect and appreciate the work of all university staff. However, as I have studied at the university, I feel it is my duty to put all the possible efforts to contribute to the educational process if I have such possibility. That is why I would like to mention the experience I got while studies at the university and emphasize the exceptional importance of information that students can give about their professors. Namely, I recommend to pay more attention to the system of the students' feedbacks about their professors, validity and usefulness of such online evaluation systems as RateMyProfessor.com.

I know that the university offers its own obligatory anonymous forms for students' feedbacks, which are examined and analyzed by the Dean and his assistants on a regular basis. I believe that it is correct to implement such surveys, as students can really be regarded as experts with a significant experience of working with professors. Nevertheless, I believe it is preferable to pay more attention to this feedback university form and edit it on some levels. Considering the first 18 questions, one should pay attention to the repeatability of the essence of some points like 2 and 18 or 5 and 7. Review of the questions construction would make it possible to shorten the form. In addition, some questions are appropriate not for each class. For instance, not all business courses require original and creative thinking, which makes question 16 redundant. I appreciate the work of a person, who has edited and composed the feedback form, but it needs some revisions to become more effective by proper assessment of the professors' work. Furthermore, not all

questions are unbiased as the subjective view of each student on originality or psychological peculiarities of people are neglected when giving the general assessment of the material clearness or even creativity. To sum it up, I offer you to improve the feedback form considering the subject peculiarities and the human factor.

As you already know, the second, but not less popular among the students way to assess the work of their teachers and professors is to rate them online at the RateMyProfessor site. Although I do not refer this site to credible ones as it has no limits about the personalities, who leave the feedbacks, and lets any stranger rate the professor even several times, some of its advantages should be considered and used in order to improve the university system of professors rating. The first advantage of RateMyProfessor is its availability and helpfulness by choosing the instructors. Secondly, this site does not only allow all students to express their points of view, but also guarantees they would stay anonymous. The third advantage is that it is an electronic online system, which makes it easier for students to choose any convenient time to put their comments or read other feedbacks. Moreover, printing instead of writing, using the electronic version is not only more modern, but more convenient regarding the data addition and arrangement. Although the general statistics of the ratings on RateMyProfessor can be valid, one cannot neglect the fact that many students can be affected by emotions when leaving their feedbacks online, some can simply decide to play a joke online. In addition, far not each student of the same class visits the site, which makes the statistics data incredibly inaccurate and, therefore, inappropriate for he further analysis and proper only for getting the basic superficial idea about the figure of her professor and some students' attitude towards him.

Regarding all facts mentioned above, I believe that the university surveys can come to a much more effective and credible level than they are now. Furthermore, they should become more popular than the outer internet sites.

The steps that should be taken to achieve this aim are closely connected with the analysis of RateMyProfessor site structure and popularity. Consequently, my recommendations to the current university feedback system improvement include the following points: revise the question form carefully regarding the psychological peculiarities of individuals and demands to the separate subject; let the students fill the forms in any convenient time; guarantee the anonymity and data accuracy through usage of the electronic print versions, make the results accessible for all university visitors. Such exact and valid information about the university professors will be quite helpful by dealing with improvement of the educational process, correcting mistakes and reassuring students that their opinion is not neglected.

I appreciate your time and hope that my recommendations will be helpful for the further improvements and organization of the educational process in the George Washington University. I hope our paths will cross again in the future.

Sincerely,

Your Name
Your Address
Your City, State, Zip Code