

# **BUFFALO**

## **SOFTBALL**

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To Whom It May Concern,

It is with great pleasure that I submit this letter of recommendation on behalf of Alicia Peters in continuing to play softball overseas. Alicia started her softball career for the University at Buffalo in August of 2018 playing three seasons before graduating. As a head coach, I have had the privilege of watching Alicia develop into an outstanding player and leader.

From the moment I met Alicia she made an impact. Alicia has been one of the hardest working athletes I have had the honor to work with at the University at Buffalo. She has the drive to continuously work hard every day to perfect her craft. Her hard work on the field paid off as she finished her college softball career as the Horizon Player of the Year. Unfortunately, scholarship money was not available for Alicia to stay at Buffalo as she would have been a tremendous asset to this year's team. Covid -19 put all of us in situations that we had never experienced before and unfortunately, we did not get to reap what we sowed.

Alicia's work ethic and drive in my opinion is the contributing factor in developing a softball skill set worthy of becoming a division 1 Player of the Year. Her professional commitment is why each year she became a better player resulting in a fantastic finish to her collegiate softball career. Her goal now is to move up to see what she can accomplish playing overseas. The fact that she was selected Player of the Year speaks volumes giving her much more credibility than I can as her coach proving she can play this game at a very high level.

Alicia's character is made up of excellent qualities. She is dependable, honorable, and full of integrity. She always meets her commitments, job responsibilities and goes beyond what is asked of her. She has a natural ability to connect with people professionally and personally, displaying a genuine interest in getting to know others and make others feel welcomed.

With all of this, I feel honored to recommend Alicia Peters in playing softball overseas. Please feel free to contact me at 920-883-8003, or at [mruichel@buffalo.edu](mailto:mruichel@buffalo.edu) if you need any further information.

Sincerely,

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