



I write to highly recommend Nizar Wattad's workshops on scriptwriting. I am a faculty member at Elon University School of Communications and the director of Elon in Los Angeles.

We hired Mr. Wattad for our program in Los Angeles that gives 35 students the opportunity to live, learn and intern in Hollywood for 10 weeks each summer. Our simulated production company gives students the chance to write, produce and direct several short films each summer. Nizar's three-week workshops were among the highest rated student experiences this past summer.

Nizar spent the first part of the workshop lecturing about the fundamentals of story structure, formatting and short script pitching. These workshops created the base education for our students to produce meaningful pitches, then scripts to be produced in a short three-week turn around. The final products have been well received by industry judges and we intend to employ Nizar until we can't afford him anymore.

I was impressed by his down to earth approach to teaching college students the basics of this highly competitive industry. He is patient, honest and available to students that are serious about this craft. I would highly recommend him to teach at any level. As we look to invest in a permanent program in Los Angeles, Nizar is at the top of our list to create unique scriptwriting pedagogy for our program. He has been generous with his time, expertise and contacts as we start our program in LA.

I would be happy to talk to anyone who is considering one of Nizar's workshops.

Warm regards,

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