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LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

TO BE COMPLETED BY STUDENT BEFORE FORWARDING TO REFERENCE:

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(Last Name)	(First Name)	(Middle Name)
is applying for the	MASTERS	DOCTORAL degree
		(Please Circle)

I wish to have access to this letter of recommendation and it will not be confidential.

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(Signature)	(Date)

I waive my rights to access to this letter of recommendation:

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(Signature)	(Date)

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During how many months were you in frequent contact with the applicant? _____
What was your relationship to the applicant? (Check all applicable) Classroom Instructor (); Advisor (); Employer ();
Friend (); Relative (); Other: _____

ANALYTICAL ABILITY

- Exceptional analytical ability
- Above average analytical ability
- Average analytical ability
- Poor analytical ability
- No opportunity to observe

ABILITY TO DO CREATIVE RESEARCH

- Exceptionally creative and original
- Adapts and uses new ideas readily
- Responds to suggestions; average
- Lacks any aptitude for research
- No opportunity to observe

WRITING ABILITY

- Accurate, clear and concise
- Above average writing skills
- Average written expression
- Poor writing ability
- No opportunity to observe

ACCURACY OF WORK

- Exceptionally accurate
- Makes only minor mistakes
- Satisfactory accuracy, average
- Makes numerous and repeated errors
- No opportunity to observe

NOT SUITED FOR THE FOLLOWING SITUATIONS

- Unsupervised field research
- Heavy field work
- Laboratory work
- Teaching duties
- Other

EMOTIONAL STABILITY AND MATURITY

- Confident; well-adjusted
- Average maturity
- Immature; variable
- Emotional problem

REACTION TO CRITICISM

- Invites criticism; strives to improve
- Accepts correction; shows improvement
- Avoids criticism; justifies mistakes
- Resents criticism
- No opportunity to observe

DEPENDABILITY AND INTEGRITY

- Absolutely reliable and trustworthy
- Dependable in most cases
- Average dependability
- Questionable dependability
- Cannot be trusted

INITIATIVE AND INDUSTRY

- Self-starter; creates own job
- Works with little help and supervision
- Average initiative; requires direction
- Requires much urging; wastes time
- No opportunity to observe

ORAL EXPRESSION

- Superior
- Good
- Average
- Poor
- No opportunity to observe

PLEASE COMPLETE REVERSE SIDE OF FORM

Please evaluate this applicant's potential as a graduate student in the program they are applying for:

- Recommend very highly
- Recommend
- Recommend with some reservation
- Do not recommend for this program

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: (Please try to list STRENGTHS and WEAKNESSES, extracurricular activities, personality traits and any exceptional academic achievements or especially rigorous courses.)

Please Print

YOUR NAME: _____

YOUR TITLE: _____

YOUR ADDRESS: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

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