

REFERENCE FORM FOR APPLICATION TO
DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY PROGRAM
IN SOCIAL WORK

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TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT:

First Name

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Last Name

Social Security Number

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I am aware of my rights under the Family Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 to have access to letters of recommendation written on my behalf.

I wish to retain my rights of access.

It is my desire to waive, relinquish and disclaim my rights of access to this letter.

Applicant's Signature

Date: Month Day Year
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INSTRUCTIONS TO REFEREES

The applicant named above is applying to the Ph.D. Program in Social Work at Wayne State University. We would appreciate your assessment of the applicant to assist us in making our admission decision. Please send the completed form and accompanying letter to the applicant in the envelope provided. The applicant's materials are not complete until all required letters and forms are received. The applicant must have all application materials sent to the school **no later than January 7th, 2008** for admission.

1. How long have you known applicant?
years months

2. How well do you feel you know the applicant?

Very well Well Somewhat Not well at all

3. What is/was the nature of your contact(s) with the applicant?

Instructor in one class

Instructor in more than one class

Major Advisor

Research Advisor

Supervisor

Employer

Other, please specify:

Please attach a letter addressing the applicant's potential for success in a research-oriented Ph.D. program in social work.



RATING OF APPLICANT

Please rate the applicant in the areas indicated below by comparing him or her to the reference group you specify (employers, graduate students, etc.).

Reference Group:

	Upper 1% Exceptional	Upper 5% Outstanding	Upper 15% Very Good	Upper 25% Good	Upper 50% Average	Below Average	Inadequate opportunity to observe applicant
1. Analytical and critical thinking skills	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. Intellectual ability	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. Research aptitude	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4. Writing ability	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5. Oral communication skills	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6. Motivation for doctoral studies in social work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7. Emotional maturity/stability	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
8. Scholarly productivity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
9. Ability to organize and express ideas clearly	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
10. Commitment to social work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
11. Independence and initiative	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
12. Leadership skills	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
13. Integrity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
14. Interpersonal skills	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

RECOMMENDATION

In summary, I would recommend this applicant:

- Highly recommend without reservation for admission
- Recommend
- Recommend with reservations
- I do not recommend

If this student applied to complete doctoral studies with you would you

- Accept enthusiastically
- Accept with some reservation
- Not accept
- Other, please specify:

Signature:

Date: / /

First Name MI Last Name

Title or Degree

Agency or Organization

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