## SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

## **DALLAS, TEXAS 75275**

## **Recommendation Form**

To the applicant:

Please print or type the name and address of your referee, and your name and address in the appropriate spaces below. Sign the form and send it to your reference, enclosing a stamped envelope addressed to the Office of Research and Graduate Studies, Southern Methodist University, PO Box 750240, Dallas, Texas 75275-0240.

| Referee's name_   |
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| Referee's address   |
| Applicant's name in full_   |
| Applicant's present address_  |
| Applicant's Proposed Area of Study  |
| ☐ I waive my right of access to this letter of recommendation.  |
| $\Box$ I do not waive my right of access to this letter of recommendation.  |
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| Applicant's signature   |
| Date  |
| To the referee: If you prefer to write a separate letter of reference, please address the questions below in your letter. Thank you.                  |
| 1. How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant?  |
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| 2. Please give your assessment of the applicant's academic preparation and of his/her industry, motivation, and capacity for demanding academic work, |
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| 3. Do you know anything that might detrimentally affect the applicant's academic or professional performance?   |

|  | Exceptional (Top 2%) | Outstanding (Top 5%) | Excellent (Top 15%)    | Good<br>(Top 1/3) | Average (Mid 1/3) | Below<br>Average<br>(Bottom 1/3) | Not<br>Observed |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Intellectual Ability                                 |                      |                      |                        |                   |                   |                                  |                 |
| Maturity   |                      |                      |                        |                   |                   |                                  |                 |
| Motivation   |                      |                      |                        |                   |                   |                                  |                 |
| Ability to work with others                          |                      |                      |                        |                   |                   |                                  |                 |
| Creativity & imagination                             |                      |                      |                        |                   |                   |                                  |                 |
| Self-confidence                                      |                      |                      |                        |                   |                   |                                  |                 |
| Leadership Potential                                 |                      |                      |                        |                   |                   |                                  |                 |
| Ability to analyze a problem & formu-late a solution |                      |                      |                        |                   |                   |                                  |                 |
| Oral Communica-tions<br>Skills                       |                      |                      |                        |                   |                   |                                  |                 |
| Written Communication Skills                         |                      |                      |                        |                   |                   |                                  |                 |
| OVERALL RATING:                                      | strongly red         |                      | recomm                 | nend              | recomm            | end with reservation             | ons             |
| Signature  |                      |                      |                        |                   | Date              |                                  |                 |
| Name   |                      |                      |                        |                   |                   |                                  |                 |
| Title  |                      |                      | (Please print or type) | Employer          |                   |                                  |                 |
| Title_   |                      |                      |                        |                   |                   |                                  |                 |
| Business Address                                     |                      |                      |                        |                   |                   |                                  |                 |
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4. Please give any other information concerning the applicant that you think would be useful to the admitting department. (Use additional