

Evaluation of Applicant for Graduate Study
College of Natural Resources
University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point

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Note to Student: **Sharing this evaluation form with your reference(s) constitutes a voluntary waive of your right of access to any information contained on this recommendation form AND agreement that the form contents shall remain confidential.**

Name of Applicant: _____

During how many months were you in frequent contact with the applicant? _____ Months

What was your relationship to the applicant? (check all that apply)

____ Teacher ____ Advisor ____ Employer ____ Friend ____ Relative ____ Other

ANALYTICAL ABILITY (check one)

- ____ Exceptionally critical judgment
- ____ Clear thinker
- ____ Average analytical ability
- ____ Poor analytical ability
- ____ No opportunity to observe

ABILITY TO DO CREATIVE RESEARCH (check one)

- ____ 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 (check one)

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

ACCURACY OF WORK (check one)

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

NOT SUITED FOR THE FOLLOWING SITUATION(S)

(check all that apply)

- ____ Unsupervised field research
- ____ Heavy field work
- ____ Laboratory work
- ____ Teaching duties
- ____ Other: _____

EMOTIONAL STABILITY AND MATURITY (check one)

- ____ Mature, poised and inspiring
- ____ Confident, well adjusted
- ____ Average maturity
- ____ Immature, variable
- ____ Emotional problems

REACTION TO CRITICISM (check one)

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

DEPENDABILITY AND INTEGRITY (check one)

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

INITIATIVE AND INDUSTRY (check one)

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

MAX. POTENTIAL FOR ACADEMIC STUDY

(check one)

- ____ B.S. unlikely to complete M.S.
- ____ M.S. (terminal) – unlikely for Ph.D.
- ____ M.S. (certainly) – probably Ph.D.
- ____ Ph.D. (definitely)
- ____ Inadequate opportunity to evaluate

ACADEMIC ABILITY (check one)

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

ORAL EXPRESSION (check one)

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

WORK HABITS (check one)

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

WORK SPEED (check one)

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

NEATNESS OF WORK (check one)

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: (Include strengths, weaknesses, extracurricular activities, exceptional academic achievements, or especially rigorous courses)

PLEASE RATE THE APPLICANT NUMERICALLY (Percentile Value) IN OVERALL PROMISE, COMPARING HIM/HER TO ALL OTHER STUDENTS WITH WHOM YOU HAVE HAD CLOSE CONTACT WITH AT THE SAME STAGE IN THEIR ACADEMIC CAREERS.

_____ (100 = HIGHEST; 0 = LOWEST)

YOUR RECOMMENDATION FOR THE APPLICANT FOR GRADUATE SCHOOL (check one)

- Very Highly Recommended Recommended Have Reservations Not Recommended

Your First and Last Name: _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____

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