



Montana State University – Bozeman

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PERSONAL REFERENCE FORM FOR: _____

TO THE INDIVIDUAL COMPLETING THIS FORM:

*Thank you for your time in providing this reference. The person who has requested a letter of recommendation from you is applying to Graduate School at Montana State University-Bozeman and has listed you as a reference. The college will appreciate a frank appraisal by you of the applicant. Please complete the following form (**in English**) at your earliest opportunity. Failure to return this form may adversely affect the applicant's admission.*

This form must be received directly from the reference or in a sealed envelope with your signature over the seal.

This information will be kept strictly confidential with the signature of the applicant upon completion of the online application. Please use extra sheets if more space is needed.

Reference Name: (Please Print) _____ **Date:** _____

1. How long, how well, and under what conditions have you known the applicant? (if you do not know the student well, please state).

2. Was the applicant ever in a class you taught? Yes No

3. Do you know of any problems related to responsibility, qualifications, or performance which should be considered?

4. Please provide us with your overall assessment of the applicant and his/her potential for success in Graduate School

5. Where would you rank the applicant among other students who have gone on to graduate studies, in comparable fields, in recent years?

Upper 10% Upper 25% Upper 50% Lower 50%

6. Would you accept this applicant as a graduate student under your supervision in your college/university?

Yes No

Why? _____

7. PLEASE CHECK ONE:

I would **STRONGLY RECOMMEND** this applicant for admission to Graduate School.

I would **RECOMMEND** this applicant for admission to Graduate School.

I would **RECOMMEND WITH RESERVATION** this applicant for admission to Graduate School.

I **DO NOT RECOMMEND** this applicant for admission to Graduate School.

SIGNATURE: _____

TITLE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

Please send this form, as soon as possible, directly to the *Earth Sciences Department* via email (earth@montana.edu) or by mail to the address above.

If mailing from a foreign country, please send VIA AIR MAIL.