Confidential Reference Form for Study Abroad

To the student:

1) Fill in your name and program information below.
2) Please read carefully, fill in your professor’s name, and sign the authorization below.
3) Give the recommendation form to two faculty members – preferably ones who know you well and can speak to your abilities and readiness to study abroad.

_________________________ is applying for the following study abroad program:

(Printed Name of Applicant)

Program Name ____________________________ Program City/Country ____________________________

Term/Year Abroad ____________________________

Authorization:

I hereby authorize (Professor’s Name) ____________________________ to complete this form. Under the provision of the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, I waive my right of access to this recommendation and understand that the information provided will be used only for the purpose for which it was prepared.

Student’s Signature

[or]

I retain my right of access to this recommendation.

Student’s Signature

[Sign only once]

Faculty Member: The individual above has applied for a study abroad program. The student asks that you complete a reference form and letter of support on his/her behalf. The letter will be reviewed by the Assistant Director for Intercultural Engagement and/or the Director of Global Engagement. Upon the student’s approval, this form and letter may be copied and sent to the study abroad program. Please phrase your comments accordingly.
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According to the following criteria, how would you rate the applicant?

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Please provide the following rating:

Recommend Without Reservation [ ]
Recommend with Reservation [ ]
Not Recommended [ ]

Faculty Member Signature ___________________________ Date ____________
Position ____________________________

In a separate document, please address the following questions as they pertain to the student applicant. Be candid, and whenever possible, give examples:

1. How long and under what circumstances have you known the applicant?
2. What contributions do you think an international education experience might make to the student’s academic and personal development?
3. Please state your opinion on this applicant’s chances for success (academic and non-academic) in this program.
4. What, if any, reservations to you have about the student applicant?

Completed recommendations may be attached to this form and returned to the Office of Global Engagement. Please return this form and letter immediately as this student’s application cannot be processed until your recommendation is received. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Global Engagement. Thank you.