

Academic Reference Form



Applicant:

Please complete the top section of this form and ask a professor or lab instructor at USask to complete the reference section or attach a letter of reference. Personal references are not acceptable. **This form must be given to the Study Abroad office by the Instructor (not student).**

Applicant Information

Name _____
first last

Current address _____

_____ street

_____ city prov postal code

Student # _____

Email: _____

Signature _____

Program or Course

Study Abroad program choice _____

Fall/Winter 20__

Spring 20__

Summer 20__

Academic Reference Section:

Study Abroad is a rigorous interdisciplinary program that expects students to learn from both traditional and field-based academic methods and to synthesize these approaches. The College of Arts and Science Study Abroad Office asks for references from a professor at USask. Students are involved in challenging cross-cultural situations, both in and out of the classroom. To succeed, the applicant must have a high degree of academic and personal motivation and the ability to adjust to people of different social and cultural backgrounds. We cannot overemphasize, therefore, the value of your candid appraisal in enabling us to determine whether the applicant is appropriate for this kind of program and, if so, to help obtain the most from the experience. We will be happy to accept a letter in lieu of this form.

Please note: Many programs fill to capacity before the deadline. A space cannot be reserved until all of a student's application materials are received. Since the candidate's application cannot be reviewed until we receive this form, please submit this form in a timely manner to the Arts and Science Study Abroad Office by email as indicated above.

How long and in what capacity have you known this student? _____

Name _____ Title _____

Institution _____ Department _____

Email _____ Telephone _____ area code _____

email form to: Manager, Study Abroad, College of Arts and Science
AandS.Abroad@usask.ca

Applicant's name _____

Program name _____



Academic Reference Form (continued)

In comparison with other students you have known, please rate the applicant on the following characteristics:

Excellent Good Average Poor Unknown

Writing ability

Ability to express himself or herself orally

Initiative

Ability to cope with ambiguity

Ability to adjust to and cope with unusual/uncomfortable situations

Ability to work with a group of peers

Common sense and good judgment

I would would not expect the student to be appropriate and considerate as a homestay participant.

I would would not enjoy having the student as a member of a group for which I was responsible.

Please explain: _____

What are this student's intellectual and/or other strengths relevant to studying abroad?

What are this student's intellectual and/or other weaknesses that might be relevant to studying abroad?

Please comment on the student's motivation for studying abroad. Does he or she have the ability and maturity to achieve his or her goals in studying abroad?

Additional comments

Signature _____ Date _____