



University at Buffalo
The State University of New York

Department of Geology

Recommendation for Graduate Study

To be completed by applicant:

Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

List the courses taken with the instructor filling out the reference, when the course was taken and the grade received

<u>Course Name</u>	<u>Date Taken</u>	<u>Grade</u>

Please list other personal contacts with the referee.

In compliance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, the candidate (applicant) is given access to the letter unless access is waived by completion of the following statement.

“I, _____, hereby waive my right to inspect the letter which appears on this form and any attachments of continuation”

Signature of applicant:

Date



To be completed by the referee:

1. Some gifted individuals have mediocre scholastic records. In your opinion is the applicant's scholastic record an accurate index on his/her ability and/or potential?

Yes

No

Don't Know

If you answered 'No' please explain. _____

Continue...

2. In comparison with other students you have known in the same field and at about the same academic level during the last five years, please rate the applicant in the following areas:

	Top 2%	Top 10%	Top 25%	Top 50%	Bottom 50%	Don't Know
General Intellectual Ability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Potential as a Research Scientist	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Originality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Knowledge of Geology	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. Would you accept this student as your own graduate student advisee?

Yes, enthusiastically Probably Maybe Unlikely

4. Please comment on any other point(s) you feel is proper (e.g., motivation for graduate study, ability in written and oral communication, character, etc.). We welcome whatever information you can provide that you think would help us in our evaluation. Thank you.

Signature _____ Date: _____
 Name (Printed) _____
 Position _____
 Affiliation _____