

Recommendation Form
Deadline: December 15

Department of Biology
University of Oregon

Student's Name _____ Phone Number _____

To the Student: After signing the waiver below, please give this form to your recommender with a pre-addressed, stamped envelope.

To the Recommender: Please attach a separate sheet for any additional remarks you care to make regarding the applicant. A careful discrimination between strong and weak characteristics of the applicant is more helpful than routine praise. We are especially interested in the candidate's potential as a creative scientist. We welcome any comments regarding the applicant's research experience, originality, creativity, energy and enthusiasm, and performance as a laboratory or teaching assistant. **How would you rate this applicant in comparison with graduate students in your department and in your own research group?** For students whose native language is not English, please indicate your judgment of the student's proficiency in English.

Please rate the applicant in comparison with students of comparable age and position who you have known.

	No basis for Judgment	Lower Half	Top half	Top 25%	Top 10%	Top 1 or 2%
Breadth of General Knowledge						
Initiative and Resourcefulness						
Interest in Field						
Seriousness of Purpose						
Ability in Oral Expression						
Ability in Written Expression						
Ability to Work with Others						
Promise as a Teacher						
Promise as a Researcher						

The information supplied will be open to review by the student in accordance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (20 USC 1232g), unless the student chooses to waive this right. Students may indicate their desire to waive the right to review by signing the following statement: **I waive my right, afforded under 20 USC 1232g, and the University of Oregon student record policy, to review the evaluation provided on this form or accompanying letter.**

Student Signature _____

Recommender's Name _____ Position or title _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Address _____

Please return this form directly to: **Graduate Admissions Committee, Department of Biology**
1210 University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon 97403-1210