Recommendation Form Department of Biological Sciences - University of Pittsburgh A234 LANGLEY HALL Pittsburgh, PA 15260

Please include your letter of recommendation with this form To The Applicant: Fill Out This Section And Sign Your Name

is applying for admission to the (M.S./Ph.D.) (Name of applicant) program in the Department of Biological Sciences at the University of Pittsburgh. We would appreciation your views concerning the applicant's suitability for graduate study in this field, and potential as a scholar and teacher.

The Family Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 provides that applicants have the right of access to (i.e., are able to read and to arrange to purchase a personal copy of) reference letters written after January 1, 1975 unless they choose to give up that right. Prior to submitting this form to a reference writer, the applicant must indicate whether they wish to be able to see the letter. **IMPORTANT**: Letters received which do not have the following choice indicated and signed by the applicant will be treated as "non-confidential" and will be available to be reviewed by the applicant.

I DO DO NOT give up the right of access to this reference letter.

Applicant's Signature

To The Referee: Complete This Section And Attach Your Letter Of Recommendation

I rank this student in the top _____% of approximately _____ students I have taught in _____ years.

	Upper 5 %	Upper 10%	Upper 25%	Upper Half	Lower Half	No basis for Judgement
Intellectual Ability						
Breadth of General Knowledge						
Oral Expression						
Writing Ability						
Perseverance						
Emotional Maturity						
Potential for Research						
Potential as a Teacher						

Signature	Name (Typed or printed)	Name (Typed or printed)			
Position	Institution				
Address	City	State	Zip Code		
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