

## IYLEP Letter of Recommendation Form

### Instructions:

Recommendations should be completed by **two (2)** professors, employers, or other individuals who know the applicant on a professional level and have an understanding of the applicant's academic, leadership, and personal qualities well. Recommendations should not be from family members or friends.

This recommendation should be typewritten or clearly printed in **English**.

Recommendations should be uploaded by the student in the online application **OR** submitted by the person writing the letter as an attachment to IYLEP.UG@gmail.com no later than **January 2, 2011, 11:59 PM Iraq time**. Please reference the applicant's REGISTRATION ID # in the subject line of the email. **LATE LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION MAY DISQUALIFY AN APPLICATION!**

The applicant named below is applying for the Iraqi Young Leaders Exchange Program (IYLEP). This program enables 100 highly-motivated undergraduate students from Iraq to attend an intensive academic summer program at a U.S. host university, strengthening their leadership skills and their academic knowledge in a chosen area of study. Since participants serve as representatives of their home university and Iraq, the IYLEP would appreciate your evaluation of the applicant's academic and personal suitability for studying and traveling abroad.

### To be completed by the applicant:

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Last Name, First Name*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Application REGISTRATION ID #  
(Given upon submission of the online application)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Passport Number*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date of Birth (Month/ Date/ Year)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Email Address*

### To be completed by the individual providing the reference:

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Full Name*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Job Title*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Place of Employment*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Relationship to student*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Email Address*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Phone Number*

**Content:** Please provide a candid evaluation of the student and your assessment of his or her ability to participate on an educational exchange program in the United States. Please address the following in your reference:

- A. How long you have known the student and in what capacity
- B. Academic suitability for study in the United States
- C. Personal stability for living abroad: maturity, adaptability, and interpersonal skills with his/her peers
- D. How participation in an experience abroad will be of benefit, both academically and personally;
- E. Strengths and weaknesses
- F. English-speaking ability (if known)



Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
*You will be asked to create an ID to verify your signature.*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_