DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND KINESIOLOGY

The University of Texas at Tyler • Graduate Reference Letter

One criterion for admission to a graduate degree program is strong recommendations from three individuals in professional positions who can validly comment on the applicant's suitability for graduate studies in general and for studies in the intended field in particular. This form and an accompanying letter are important in the evaluation of the applicant for admission. They may also be used to support application for a financial award (e.g., assistantship). Under the provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, this applicant (if admitted and enrolled) will have access to the information provided below unless he/she has waived such access.

To the applicant: This cover letter is to be given to a professor or supervisor under whom you have studied, taught or worked, and who is able to comment on your qualifications for graduate study. Please fill in the first section of this form.

Applicant's Name

Recommender's Name

PROPOSED GRADUATE MAJOR:

□ Master of Education in Health and Kinesiology □ Master of Science in Health Sciences □ Master of Science in Kinesiology

OPTIONAL: D I hereby waive my right of access to the information recorded below and accompanying this form.

Applicant's Signature

Date

To the recommender: Please rate the applicant with others of the same age and academic level. COMPARE THE APPLICANT WITH OTHER STUDENTS OF THE SAME LEVEL AS FOLLOWS:

| | EXCEPTIONAL | ABOVE AVERAGE | AVERAGE | BELOW AVERAGE | NO INFORMATION |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|---------------|---------|---------------|----------------|
| Intellectual ability | | | | | |
| Ability to communicate in writing | | | | | |
| Ability to communicate orally | | | | | |
| Reasoning ability | | | | | |
| Desire to learn | | | | | |
| Sense of purpose | | | | | |
| Motivation to succeed | | | | | |
| Ability to work Independently | | | | | |
| Ability to work with others | | | | | |

I have known this applicant for _____ years.

During this time, the applicant was: \Box an undergraduate student in my class(es) \Box a graduate student in my class(es) \Box my advisee \Box my employee \Box other (please specify) _____

In summary, my recommendation for this applicant is:
very strong
strong
very average
below average

□recommend but with reservation (Please explain in your accompanying letter.)

Attach an accompanying letter with this cover form for a written evaluation of the applicant's suitability as a graduate student in general and for studies in the intended field in particular. How long have you known the applicant, and in what capacity?

Recommender's Signature

Date