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Prospective Student Information

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Waiver

Please check the appropriate box below indicating whether you have/have not waived your right of access to this recommendation provided to you under the Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act of 1974 (Buckley Amendment).

☐ I hereby waive my right of access to this recommendation.

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Applicant’s Signature: ______________________________________________________

Recommender Information

Please print or type the following information.

Name: ________________________________________________________________

Position: _____________________________________________________________

Affiliation: __________________________________________________________
Recommendation

Please answer the questions below in as specific and candid manner as possible. If you prefer, you may answer these questions in a separate letter written on letterhead.

How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity?

What do you consider to be the applicant’s most outstanding strengths with regard to completing the PhD in Economics?

What do you consider to be the applicant’s main liabilities with regard to completing the PhD in Economics?

Please discuss your view of the applicant’s potential for undertaking independent research.

Please provide any additional comments that you believe are relevant to an evaluation of the applicant.
Please provide us with your appraisal of the applicant in terms of the qualities listed below.

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Please check the box that summarizes the strength of your overall recommendation of the applicant.

- I strongly recommend that this applicant be admitted to the PhD program in Economics.
- I recommend that this applicant be admitted to the PhD program in Economics.
- I recommend with reservation that this applicant be admitted to the PhD program in Economics.
- I do not recommend that this applicant be admitted to the PhD program in Economics.

Signature: ____________________________________________________________________

Please return the completed recommendation form and any accompanying letter to the applicant in a sealed and signed envelope or mail the completed recommendation form and any accompanying letter to

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