



Foreign Language Recommendation Form

TO THE APPLICANT:

1. **Please print your full name and college.** Recommendations may be completed by current or former Professors, Lecturers, or Graduate Teaching Assistants.

Name of applicant _____

College (at Cornell) _____

2. **Please check one of the following statements and then sign below:**

In accordance with the "Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974", Cornell Abroad recognizes that students enrolled in its study abroad programs have the right to inspect and review all materials in their files unless they sign a waiver statement.

- I **hereby waive** my right of access to this recommendation
- I **do not waive** my right of access to this recommendation

Signature of applicant: _____ Date: _____

TO THE FACULTY OR INSTRUCTOR:

The above student has applied to a study abroad program through Cornell Abroad. *Study abroad can place unusual demands on the student, requiring a greater degree of adaptability and concentration than is the case on the home campus.* Your comments will be very helpful in the selection process and in guiding the overseas program. Please provide the information requested and return the form to the appropriate office listed on the reverse. It will then be forwarded to the university overseas or a study abroad program.

Name (please print) _____ Title _____

Department _____ Phone _____ E-mail _____

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

I have known the applicant since _____

He/she is currently enrolled in my course _____

He/she took my course (number and title) _____ in (semester / year) _____ and received a grade of _____.

Other: (Give date of oral examination or test name & date of written examination) _____

2. **Assessment of Academic and Intellectual Qualities**

· Shows curiosity and enthusiasm for learning	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Outstanding
· Is interested in target culture(s)	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Outstanding
· Contributes to class	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Outstanding
· Is well organized and has good work habits	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Outstanding

3. Language Skills (Compared to other students in a second-year course in the target language)

· aural comprehension	a) of colloquial speech	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Outstanding
	b) of class discussions/lectures	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Outstanding
· oral expression	a) fluency	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Outstanding
	b) correctness	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Outstanding
	c) pronunciation	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Outstanding
· written expression	a) simple everyday messages	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Outstanding
	b) effective class/lecture notes	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Outstanding
	c) short papers/essays	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Outstanding
	d) research papers based on conceptual thought and multiple sources in the target language	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Outstanding

· **Please check the comment that best describes the student's readiness to attend regular university courses in the target language abroad:**

- not ready / not applicable
- borderline, may succeed given intensive language orientation and ongoing tutorial support
- will likely succeed with normal effort given language orientation at the beginning of the year
- will succeed without major problems

4. Assessment of Personal Qualities

· emotional stability, self-control and maturity	fair	good	very good	superior	no basis for evaluation
· adaptability	fair	good	very good	superior	no basis for evaluation
· self-reliance	fair	good	very good	superior	no basis for evaluation
· ability to get along with others	fair	good	very good	superior	no basis for evaluation
· tolerance	fair	good	very good	superior	no basis for evaluation
· dependability	fair	good	very good	superior	no basis for evaluation

5. Please provide a candid evaluation of the student's scholarship, personal strengths and weaknesses, and motivation for study abroad. Does he or she possess the intellectual and personal qualities for success in study abroad? *(Please print or type legibly or attach a recommendation.)*

Faculty or Instructor's signature _____ **Date** _____

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