

Bowling Green State University
Graduate Program in German
including the
Academic Year Abroad in Salzburg, Austria
Academic Reference Form

To the referee:

The student named below has given your name as a reference for an application to our M.A. Program in German, with the first year spent on our Academic Year Abroad program in Salzburg, Austria. We would be grateful if you could assess the student's academic preparation and suitability for graduate study and study abroad and return the form to address indicated on the reverse.

To be completed by applicant:

Applicant's name: _____

Waiver. Please check one:

I hereby waive my right to inspect and review the personal reference form, with the understanding that the document will be used for purposes of evaluating my qualifications for study in the BGSU AYA in Salzburg program by the selection committee, and will not be available to any other institution, organization or private party.

I do not waive my right to inspect and review the personal reference form.

Applicant's signature: _____

To be completed by referee

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

2. **General evaluation.** Please indicate your perception of the applicant's standing compared to others you have known at similar points in their studies.

	below avg. lower 50%	average 50-75%	above avg. 75-90%	superior top 10%	outstanding top 5%
a) ability to work independently	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) ability to engage in cooperative learning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) motivation to learn	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) general academic ability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. **Evaluation of the applicant's potential for graduate study and study abroad.** Please estimate the applicant's probable degree of success in performing academically in a very different social and academic setting and completing a two-year master's program. Comment as much as possible on the applicant's intellectual abilities, flexibility, and overall maturity.

Either type your answer in the space below or send a separate attachment if you wish.

4. **Summary recommendation.** Please check one:

- I reluctantly recommend the applicant
- I recommend the applicant with minor reservations
- I recommend the applicant without reservations
- I eagerly recommend the applicant
- I give the applicant my highest recommendation

5. **Evaluator's information.**

Name _____ Date _____

Title and position _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail: _____

Signature _____

Please return this form to:

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