



Postgraduate Research Referee Form

Confidential report on applicant for admission to candidature for a research degree

Instructions for applicant

All applicants for a research degree MUST obtain Academic Referee's Reports from at least two academics who are familiar with their studies and research potential.

Instructions for academic referees

To submit your report **non-confidentially**:

1. Please provide the student with a copy directly and they will upload it to their application

To submit your report **confidentially**:

1. Please upload the form via the link provided in the email that you received (international applicants only); or
2. Return the form via email to **admissions.pgresearch@sydney.edu.au**

1. Applicant's details *(This section must be completed by the applicant)*

University of Sydney Applicant ID Number

Family/last name

Personal/first names

Date of birth

Applicant's email

Course applied for (i.e. PhD or MPhil):

Discipline/Special field of interest?

2. Referee's report *(This section must be completed by the Referee)*

In what capacity, how well, and for how long, have you known the applicant?

Please give your personal assessment of the applicant's technical competence, initiative, diligence, motivation, and promise of sustained and productive participation in the graduate program for which he/she has applied. Please compare this student with others known to you who have been accepted in previous years or are now applying for admission.

In relation to other PhD or masters by research candidates known to you, how would you rate the applicant's academic and research potential?

Very strong Strong Moderate Minimal Nil

Please give your appraisal of the student in terms of the qualities listed below. Rate the applicant in comparison to other students you have supervised.

	Below average up to 40%	Average 40 - 60%	Above average 60 - 80%	Good 80 - 90%	Excellent 90% plus	Unable to judge
Preparation for proposed course						
Ability to organize & express ideas						
Critical & analytical ability						
Motivation for proposed course						
Ability to plan and complete work						
Technical competence in proposed field of research						
Intellectual promise						

Does your institution offer the graduate program this applicant seeks? If YES, would he/she be accepted at your institution?

If the applicant's first language is not English, does he/she understand, read and express himself/herself fluently in English?

Referee's Full Name

Position

Institution

Address

Email Address

Telephone

Signature

I give permission to the University of Sydney to contact me if necessary

Yes No