

Rackham Predoctoral Fellowship Recommendation Form

Name of Applicant _____ Department _____

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I hereby waive my right of access to the information recorded below.

Signature of Applicant Date

Mail this form to: The Chairperson of the students department or program: _____
(please note: DO NOT MAIL DIRECTLY TO RACKHAM)

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

2. How does this student rank (or compare) to other students you have worked with, or are in the department, at similar stages in their careers?

	Exceptional	Outstanding	Very Good	Good	Next	No Basis for
SKILL	Upper 5%	Next 10%	Next 10%	Next 15%	60%	judgment
Knowledge in chosen field						
Motivation and Perseverance toward goals						
Ability to work independently						
Ability to express thoughts:speech/writing						
Ability/potential for college teaching						
Ability to plan and conduct research						

3. Please indicate the strength of your overall endorsement of placing an "X" along the scale.

Recommended with NO reservations	Recommended	Recommended with some reservations
[_____ ↑ _____ _____ ↑ _____ _____ ↑ _____ _____ ↑ _____]		

4. Estimated date of completion of degree: _____ (term) _____ (year).

5. **PLEASE ATTACH A LETTER** commenting specifically on the applicant's graduate record. Describe the student's progress and the significance of the research to the field. Comments on the applicant's time-to-degree, the originality of the project, the contributions or impact of the research on this dissertation, and significant actions, accomplishments, and personal qualities related to scholarly achievement are particularly helpful. Several paragraphs will be more useful to the committee than one or two sentences.

Signature _____ Date _____

Name (printed) _____ Position _____

Address _____