



Letter of Recommendation Form for Graduate Programs in English

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Applicants: Please fill out the above and give this form to a professor or someone of appropriate standing in your field who is acquainted with your education and academic abilities.

Name _____ SSN _____
is applying to the NMSU Graduate School for admission and financial aid to study in the English Department.

Emphasis:

MA Literature _____ MA Creative Writing Fiction _____ MA Creative Writing Poetry _____
MFA Creative Writing Fiction _____ MFA Creative Writing Poetry _____ MA English Studies for Teachers _____
MA Rhetoric & Professional Communication _____ PhD Rhetoric and Professional Communication _____

____ I would like this letter kept confidential and decline my right to review it.

Applicant's signature _____

Name of Referee: _____

Referees: In an attached Letter of Recommendation, please address the applicant's ability to do the following:

- 1. Pursue Graduate Study
- 2. Do Research
- 3. Teach Composition
- 4. Serve in a Professional Capacity.

We are also interested in the general character of the applicant. For non-U.S. citizens, please indicate applicant's degree of English proficiency for teaching duties.

Please mark the column that best describes the applicant in comparison with other graduate students you have known.

	Excellent	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Don't know
Intellectual ability					
Writing ability					
Speaking ability					
Scholarship					
Knowledge in chosen field					
Motivation and drive					
Emotional maturity					
Independence					
Potential for teaching					

Signature of Referee: _____ Date: _____

Please mail this form to the Director of Graduate Studies at the address above. Thank you. This information will not become part of the student's academic record. If a student requests a confidential recommendation, the University will endeavor to keep the letter confidential. However, NMSU cannot guarantee that the courts will protect confidentiality.