



**WESTERN UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES
COLLEGE OF GRADUATE NURSING**

2009 Reference Form

FOR COMPLETION BY APPLICANT:

Please complete the applicant information requested below before delivering this form to the individual you have selected as a reference. The individual you have chosen for our reference is to complete the remaining information, place the completed form in a sealed envelope, then sign the envelope on the outside over the seal, and return it to you. You should then submit the sealed reference with your admissions packet by the postmark deadline.

Date of Birth: _____

Applicant Name: _____
Last *First* *Middle*

WAIVER STATEMENT

I hereby freely and voluntarily waive my rights of access to any information contained on this reference form and agree that the statement shall remain confidential.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

FOR COMPLETION BY REFERENCE WRITER:

Please return this completed reference form directly to the applicant in a sealed envelope (with your signature across the seal). The applicant will then include the sealed envelope with his/her application packet. This reference will be considered a confidential communication between you and Western University. Thank you for your cooperation.

1. How long have you known the applicant? From _____ to _____
Date *Date*

2. Relationship to applicant (check all appropriate boxes)

_____ Employer _____ Faculty _____ Supervisor _____ Professional Colleague

_____ Other, please specify: _____

3. Please evaluate the applicant in terms of the following characteristics by checking the appropriate boxes. Your evaluation should be based on observed performance.

	Not Observed n/a	Excellent Upper 10%	Good Upper 25%	Average Upper 50%	Below Average Lower 50%	Poor Lower 25%	Un-acceptable Lower 10%
School Performance/Work Record							
Initiative & Decision Making							
Judgment & Critical Thinking							
Rapport with peer group/co-workers							
Oral Communication							
Writing Skills							
Competency as a Registered Nurse							
Leadership							

4. In your opinion, what are the applicant's major:

A. Strengths: _____

B. Weaknesses? _____

5. What intellectual and ethical characteristics does this person display that are necessary for graduate level education?

RECOMMENDATION:

_____ Recommended

_____ Strongly recommend

_____ Do not recommended

_____ Recommend with reservation

Please Print Clearly

Name: _____ Position: _____

Institution/Organization: _____

Phone Number: () _____ E-mail Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____