

PHD PROGRAM REFERENCE FORM

Important Note to Applicants: In your online application to the College of Nursing you must submit the names and contact information of three references. References must be from sources that have direct knowledge of the applicant's work and educational experience specifying the applicant's ability to do graduate work. *The recommendation should not be from a friend or peer co-worker.*

Reference Writers: Your thoughtfulness and care in furnishing this information is greatly appreciated. This statement will be given serious consideration in supplement to the credentials of the candidate. We are particularly interested in the candidate's strengths and limitations related to nursing research.

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

2. Please provide a candid assessment in each of the following areas (provide examples if possible):

A. Research abilities and potential:

B. Intellectual Ability (conceptualization, utilization, and transfer of knowledge, problem-solving):

C. Creativity and/or imagination:

D. Express ideas verbally and in written form:

E. Leadership ability (ability to initiate change, style of leadership; include realms of nursing, community, and government, if applicable):

F. Personal characteristics which may promote or inhibit doctoral study (motivation, flexibility, desire to be a researcher):

Signature

Position

Printed/Typed Name:

Institution

Date

Address

Phone