

UTS ACADEMIC REFEREE'S REPORT (confidential) For International Postgraduate Research Scholarship (IPRS) Applicants

UTS: UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL

Closing date for receipt for IPRS applicants: 30 August 2009, 11.59pm EST

SECTION A – FOR THE APPLICANT TO COMPLETE

Please complete Section A and send the form to your nominated academic referee. This person should, where possible, be a senior academic familiar with your most recent studies. Your referee must be able to return the form to UTS by the closing date for applications.

If you are unable to nominate a senior academic, please contact your prospective Faculty/ Institute to discuss other suitable referees.

Please note that it is your responsibility to ensure that your nominated referee returns this report to UTS by the application closing date. Your application may be disadvantaged if referees' reports have not been received.

Please print clearly

TITLE (Ms, Mr.) _____ UTS STUDENT ID

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FAMILY NAME _____ GIVEN NAME(S) _____

DAYTIME NUMBER _____ EMAIL _____

DEGREE YOU INTEND TO UNDERTAKE _____

SECTION B – FOR THE REFEREE TO COMPLETE

Please complete Section B, including the questions that follow, and return the completed report to UTS no later than the closing date stated above. (Late reports may not be accepted). Due to the large number of applications received, UTS cannot follow up on reports that are not received by the deadline.

TITLE _____ INITIALS _____ FAMILY NAME _____

POSITION _____ INSTITUTION _____

FAX _____ TELEPHONE _____ EMAIL _____

* Please complete the following SEVEN questions

1. How long have you known the applicant?

| | 3-6 mths | 6-12 mths | 1-2 yr | 2 yrs |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| During undergraduate study (inc honours) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| During postgraduate study | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Other _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

2. In what capacities have you known the applicant?

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lecturer | <input type="checkbox"/> Course coordinator | <input type="checkbox"/> Head of School /Department |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dean of Faculty | <input type="checkbox"/> Coursework Master's supervisor | <input type="checkbox"/> Research degree supervisor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner of his/her thesis | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | |

3. How would you rate your knowledge of the applicant as the basis for providing a reference?

- Very Good
 Good
 Adequate
 Poor /Limited

4. Throughout your career, how many students have you known who have completed the degree referred to in this application?

5. Details of research degree students you have supervised.

- No. currently supervising
 No. who have graduated
 No. who have discontinued

6. Please indicate your ranking of the applicant relative to other students you have known and/or supervised:

- Top5%
 Top 8%
 Top 10%
 Top 15%
 Top 20%

Other comments: _____

Overall, based on the applicant's record and your knowledge of the person, how would you assess the applicant's research potential? Please state reasons briefly in the space provided.

7. Please score the applicant on a scale of 1-10 (in which 10 is the best) relative to other students commencing a research degree.

- Creative Ability: ability to develop original ideas or approaches without prompting
 - Initiative: ability to embark on new ideas or approaches without prompting
 - Motivation: ability to complete a research degree
 - Planning: ability to keep to a schedule
 - Perseverance: ability to work in difficult circumstances
 - Critical Ability: ability to appraise and analyse information and arguments
 - Communication skills in field of study
- Total score / 70

Referee's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Thank you for your assistance. If you wish to clarify any of the statements above or add any comments that you think will assist in assessing the applicant, please attach a separate sheet. Please return this report by the closing date listed on the front of the form. (Late reports may not be accepted). The report should be returned to

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