**CONFIDENTIAL**

**Graduate Admissions**

**Department of Nutritional Sciences**

**Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto**

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**Name of Student:**

**Name of Referee:**

**Title/Position of Referee:**

**Referee's Mailing Address:**

**Referee's Phone Number:**

**TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REFEREE**

**1. I have known this student in my capacity as** (check as many as applicable)**:**

an undergraduate student lecturer

an undergraduate research project supervisor

a teaching assistant supervisor

a graduate student supervisor

a research technician supervisor

a thesis advisor

other (specify):

**2. I was acquainted with this student's work during the period:**

to

Month Year Month Year

**My opportunity to observe his/her academic record and scientific ability during this period was:**

excellent good fair poor

**3. Would you want to have this person as a graduate student in your research program:**

**Comments:**

**Continued**

**4. In comparison with other students of comparable experience, indicate with an "X" your judgement of the following characteristics of the applicant:**

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| **Characteristic** | **Below Average**  (lowest 40%) | **Average**  (middle 20%) | **Above Average**  (next 15%) | **Excellent**  (next 15%) | **Outstanding**  (highest 10%) | **Inadequate Opportunity to Observe** |
| **a. Background Preparation** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **b. Originality and Creativity** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **c. Laboratory Skills** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **d. Present Ability at Research** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **e. Research Potential** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **f. Industriousness** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **g. Judgement** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **h. Independence** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **i. Growth During Period Observed** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **j. Oral and Written Skills** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **k. Overall Assessment** |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**5. Group of students on which ranking is based:**

**In the space below please add any descriptive comments relating to the above which will assist in providing a complete picture of the student's abilities and potential as a researcher. Include any appropriate comments on maturity, versatility, ability to work with and relate to colleagues, and other strengths and weaknesses** (use extra sheet if necessary)**:**

1. **This Department is only able to place about one quarter of those students who apply for graduate studies**

**each year. Taking into consideration this fact, and the answers you have given to the above questions, to what extent do you recommend the student for admission to graduate studies** (please answer by circling one or several consecutive numbers on the scale)**:**

Do not recommend [ 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 ] Recommend as strongly as possible.

**Signature of Referee:**

**Referee's Institution:**

**Date:**

***This form should be enclosed in an envelope (i.e. business envelope), sealed and signed by the referee***.

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