

**PROFESSIONAL DOCTORAL PROGRAM  
REFEREE REPORT**

[not to be returned to applicant]  
[not for Scholarship Applications]

**NOTE TO REFEREE**

The applicant mentioned has applied for admission to a Professional Doctoral program at Macquarie University and has nominated you as a referee.

The purpose of these doctoral programs is to enable the students to enhance their professional practice and/or policy skills through the knowledge of, and ability to apply research training and methodology to real workplace problems and issues.

This report asks for information that the University finds important in assessing the applicant's ability to successfully complete the program. Five years professional experience is a prerequisite for entry to this program. Applicants come to these programs with a wide range of experience and credentials and it is important that a skilled assessment is made of each applicant's professional and workplace standing and the results of this assessment is part of the selection process. The form is provided for your convenience and allows for the relevant information to be supplied in the necessary structure. Any information you provide will be considered strictly confidential.

We are aware that we are asking for considerable time and effort on your part in completing this form. Your assistance in giving this appraisal is very helpful to us and greatly appreciated.

**APPLICANT DETAILS**

Applicant's Family Name \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Given Names \_\_\_\_\_

Program Applied for \_\_\_\_\_

Citizenship  Australian/New Zealand/Permanent Resident  International

**REFEREE DETAILS**

Name of Referee \_\_\_\_\_

Position or Title \_\_\_\_\_

Company \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Work Email \_\_\_\_\_

Work Tel (Day) ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Fax ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

About the Applicant How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your work connection with the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any comments about the applicant undertaking a demanding postgraduate research program in respect to their:

- 1. Aptitude to study and research
- 2. Motivation
- 3. Time

**PLEASE RETURN YOUR REPORT  
BEFORE THE APPLICATION  
CLOSING DATE TO:**

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RATING	EXCELLENT	VERY GOOD	GOOD	AVERAGE	FAIR	POOR	NOT ABLE TO JUDGE
Aptitude for Research	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Creativity/Originality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Independence/Resourcefulness/Initiative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quality of Oral Communication	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quality of Written Communication	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Professional Standing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Contribution to Policy and Practice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

What are the applicant's outstanding strengths in relation to their capacity for professional leadership?

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Please provide examples of the applicant's involvement in professional associations

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Please comment on the applicant's contribution to professional activity such as reports, conferences, journal articles, etc, if possible.

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Name of Referee \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_