

AQUINAS COLLEGE

Office of International Programs & Education RECOMMENDATION FOR ACCEPTANCE INTO PROGRAM

STUDENT:

Your application cannot be considered until three recommendation forms are submitted. At least two forms must be completed by Aquinas faculty or staff (no students); one form may be completed by an outside source who is not a relative (ex. supervisor, manager, coach, former teacher, etc.).

Student Name _____

Check Program: Costa Rica France Ireland Dominican Exchange
 Tübingen Freiburg Lüneburg Japan Spain Italy

Due Date: January 25, 2012

RESPONDENT:

Your name was given by the above named student as a reference in support of his/her application to an Aquinas College Cultural Immersion Semester off campus.

These programs offer many challenges--a break with family, friends, and customary ways of doing things; involvement in an unfamiliar and rich academic area; learning in a non-traditional academic setting; the forging of group ties in a small community; as well as the need for independence and maturity to live happily in new and challenging contexts.

In view of these descriptive notes (feel free to contact the International Programs Office for more information), please comment on the suitability of the above named, in the following areas:

1. State the nature, duration, and extent of your association with the applicant.

2. Using the scale of 4 - excellent, 3 - good, 2 - average, 1 - poor, NA - insufficient knowledge, appraise the applicant with respect to each of the following. Comment where appropriate.

Academic promise (ability to study, learn, assimilate, integrate) _____
Comments:

Character (integrity, honesty, responsibility, habits, ethics) _____
Comments:

Emotional stability and/or maturity _____
Comments:

Cooperation (availability, flexibility, adaptability) _____
Comments:

Attitude toward associates _____
Comments:

Civility (courtesy, propriety, sense of context) _____
Comments:

Personality (strength, leadership, sense of humor) _____
Comments:

Initiative (resourcefulness, imagination, independence) _____
Comments:

Industry (promptness, application, perseverance, reliability) _____
Comments:

3. In what ways do you think the applicant might find a cultural immersion semester difficult?

4. Are there any other factors that should be taken into consideration in appraising this student's application?

5. Your overall evaluation of the applicant:

- Highly recommended
- Recommended
- Recommended with (these) reservation(s)

- Not recommended for this reason

Signature of respondent: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Telephone: (____) _____

Address: _____

Please return completed forms to the Aquinas College International Programs Office, AB 20. Recommendations can be mailed to Aquinas College International Programs, 1607 Robinson Rd. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49506 or faxed to Joelle Baldwin, Director of International Programs, and 616-732-4487. Aquinas faculty and staff should return this form via inter-campus mail or email (baldwjoe@aquinas.edu).

Thank you for your information and reflection. While the material submitted will be taken into serious account, it will at the same time be treated confidentially.

For your convenience, this form is saved on the Aquinas H:\drive - under the International folder- in the Office of International Programs folder, as *Off-Campus Recommendation Form*, or online at www.aquinas.edu/intprograms
