

CANDIDATE EVALUATION

Dear Evaluator:

The person whose name appears below is applying for a graduate position in the Department of Sociology at The University of Akron. Your evaluation of the candidate is extremely important to our decision-making process. We would appreciate your candid assessment of the applicant's abilities and skills.

Thank you very much for your help. Send this form and your evaluation letter directly to:

**Graduate School
The University of Akron
Polsky Building, Room 469
Akron, OH 44325-2101**

Candidate's Name: _____
(candidate should enter)

Evaluator's Name _____

Position or Title: _____

Evaluator's Address: _____

Date of Evaluation: _____

In a letter about the candidate, please address the following issues:

1. Tell us how long you have known the candidate and in what capacity.
2. Evaluate those aspects of the individual which you feel are relevant to the criterion of "successfully and efficiently completing a graduate degree." We are especially interested in your estimation of the applicant's intellectual ability, writing skills, commitment to the area of sociology, and personal qualities.
3. How would you rank this student compared to other students who have successfully completed an M.A. or Ph.D. program in sociology?

Please note that it is unlawful to refer to a candidate's race, religion, color, national origin or ancestry.

Note: The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 opens student records for the student's inspection. The law also permits the student to sign a waiver relinquishing the right to inspect letters of recommendation. The student's signature below constitutes a waiver. The signature below means the student will not have the right to read this reference.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____