



Southern Nevada Health District

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ACADEMIC REFERENCE FORM

Applicant Name:

Applicant e-mail:

APPLICANT: A professor or official academic advisor should complete the reference section. This person should be someone who is familiar with your work and academic potential. SNHD requires one reference for an undergraduate applicant and two references for a graduate applicant; please do not submit additional references as they will not be reviewed or influence your acceptance into the program.

REFERENCE: SNHD serves as the principal mechanism for placing undergraduate, graduate, and professional students in public health internships at the Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD). The goals of SNHD internship are to orient the student to principles and practices of public health planning, research, evaluation and administration; broaden concepts of public health by increasing awareness of needs, challenges and career opportunities in the field; and assist our divisions in recruiting skilled candidates with proven potential.

Students participating in internships work on current, relevant public health issues under the close supervision of experienced professionals. The students are expected to apply skills learned in the classroom to practical problems as well as learn new critical skills through their internship. Students also get first-hand experience working within a public health agency. Your evaluation of the student plays an important part in the selection process. As such, we ask that you evaluate not only the student's academic ability, but also his or her maturity and ability to work within a professional setting.

Name: _____

Title: _____

Institution: _____

Department: _____

e-mail: _____

Phone Number: _____

1. Please describe briefly, how long you have known the applicant, and in what capacity?

2. In comparison with other students you have known; please rate the applicant on the following characteristics:

	Excellent	Good	Average	Poor	Unknown
Initiative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Written Communication	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Verbal Communication	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to synthesize material	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to acquire new skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal Relationships	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maturity and Dependability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Professional Demeanor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Overall Assessment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. *Would you recommend this person for an internship position? Please explain how the applicant's attributes (e.g., academic ability, work experience, professional potential, initiative/creativity, motivation, dependability) would contribute to the position.*

Signature: _____ Today's Date: _____