

**EVALUATION FORM FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS TO PURSUE GRADUATE STUDIES IN THE
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SCIENCE, THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE, KNOXVILLE**

TO THE APPLICANT: To be considered for admission, this form must be submitted by at least three individuals willing to provide comments regarding your previous academic and/or research experience and ability to succeed in graduate studies. Because a decision will not be made regarding admission to our program without these materials, evaluators should be chosen wisely. Please note that two of these individuals must be from your former academic institution(s). If you were previously enrolled in a graduate program, your graduate advisor should be one of your evaluators.

Fill out this page, save entire form as a pdf, and send to your evaluators (Adobe Reader or Acrobat should work)

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name _____ Email _____

Mailing Address _____

Permanent Address _____

Contact Phone number _____

Present Occupation _____ Employer/Institution _____

Degree(s) Held: BS MS PhD Other: _____

Degree Sought _____ Expected Date of Entry _____

I hereby waive do not waive the right to examine this evaluation. Date _____

TO THE EVALUATOR: The person above has applied to the Department of Animal Science Graduate Program at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. They have identified you as an individual willing to complete this evaluation form conveying your perspective as to their scholastic ability and professional potential. We appreciate your willingness and efforts to provide a candid appraisal of this applicant. Your assistance will be most helpful in considering this applicant for acceptance into our graduate program. Should you have any questions or additional comments pertaining to this form or regarding the applicant's potential to succeed in graduate school, please contact Dr. Lannett Edwards (Graduate Director) (jedwards@utk.edu). Preference is for evaluation forms to be submitted electronically to Ms. Renee Thomas at reneet@utk.edu (click on submit button at bottom). If you are using Adobe Acrobat or Reader, you should be able to save your answers as a pdf, but you may still wish to cut and paste answers to/from another text program. In the event that electronic submission is problematic, a hardcopy may be mailed or faxed (865-974-9043) to Ms. Renee Thomas

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EVALUATOR INFORMATION

Name _____ Date _____

Institution/Employer _____ Title _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Address _____

1. How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity? (Give dates, if possible.)

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2. Please estimate potential of the applicant as a:

Degree Candidate

Teacher

Researcher

Extension

3. (For instructors of applicant) I would rank this applicant in the top _____% of approximately _____ undergraduate or _____ graduate students that I have taught in the past _____ years.

4. Please rate the applicant in each of the areas listed below in comparison with others you have known:

	UPPER 5%	UPPER 10%	UPPER 25%	UPPER 50%	LOWER 50%	NO BASIS TO RESPOND
Intellectual Ability/Curiosity						
Ability to Reason						
Oral Expression						
Written Ability						
Motivation/Initiative						
Self Reliance/Independence						
Emotional Maturity/Stability						
Dependability						
Self Discipline/Focus						
Ability to Work with Others						
Overall Potential						

5. Recommendation concerning admission :

Would you accept this applicant into your program? Yes No

Would you offer financial assistance if available? Yes No

6. In the space below, or as a separately attached letter, please provide an assessment of the applicant's professional promise for successful completion of graduate studies (description of demonstrated strengths and weaknesses in **research** and **teaching** would be most helpful). **A blank evaluation will be considered as indicating the applicant has no notable strengths.** If the applicant is not a native English speaker, an evaluation of ability to read, write and speak English would be helpful.

To submit this form, either click the Submit by Email button below to create an email message containing your responses, or save and attach as pdf to your own email message (Adobe Reader and Acrobat should allow this). You can then attach additional documents and add recipients if desired, but the default (reneet@utk.edu) sends a copy of your responses to the Department of Animal Science.

THANK YOU!