

LETTER OF REFERENCE

Applicant's Name

Referee's Name and Position

Mailing Address

(Department/University/City/State or Country/Zip Code)

- I. To the Applicant: This letter should be written by someone who is familiar with your academic work, someone who can make an informed judgment concerning your prospects for success in graduate-level work in philosophy. Please be sure to specify whether you do or do not waive your right of access to this letter.

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Signed: _____ Date: _____

- II. To the Referee: The person named above is applying for admission to the graduate program in philosophy at the University of Kansas. The department will be grateful to you for your candid and detailed analysis of the applicant's strengths and weaknesses and for your judgment concerning his or her prospects for success in our program.

- A. Comparing this applicant to others you have known at similar stages of their academic careers how would you rank him or her under the following headings?

	Below average (bottom 40%)	Average (40%- 60%)	Good (60%- 80%)	Very good (80%- 95%)	Exceptional (top 5%)	Unable to judge
Philosophical Knowledge						
Philosophical Ability						
General Knowledge						
Creativity						
General Intellectual Ability						
Capacity for Written Expression						
Capacity for Oral Expression						
Reliability						
Maturity/Judgment in Practical Matters						

- B. Written Comments: The assessments above are of course very schematic. The department asks in addition for a more extensive written evaluation. Again, candor and details are both appreciated. Please attach letter to this form.

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