



St Tikhon's Orthodox Theological Seminary

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Letter of Reference

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ SSN (Passport Number) \_\_\_\_\_

Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_

is applying for the \_\_\_\_\_ Program at St Tikhon's Orthodox Theological Seminary.

AUTHORIZATION FOR WAIVER (to be read and signed by the Applicant): This waiver is not required as a condition of admission to St Tikhon's Orthodox Theological Seminary for study.

I understand my right under the U.S. Family Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 to review confidential appraisals, submitted with reference to admission to a graduate or postsecondary institution, that are placed in my file on or after January 1, 1975.

I do  do not  waive my right to view this Letter of Reference.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

TO THE APPLICANT: Complete the above information and send this form, together with an addressed and stamped envelope, to the individual who will be providing your reference. This Letter of Reference is to be mailed directly to:

Admissions Committee, St Tikhon's Seminary, PO Box 130, South Canaan, PA 18459-0130.

TO THE EVALUATOR: Your candid completion of this evaluation is appreciated. Please complete the information requested on both sides of this form. If you need to use additional sheets of paper, please staple them to this form. If the applicant has waived his rights (see above) to examine this form. your comments will be held completely confidential.

Name of evaluator: \_\_\_\_\_

How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

In evaluating this applicant, with what reference group are you making comparison? \_\_\_\_\_

Keeping in mind your reference group, please evaluate the applicant as fairly as you can in each of the categories below by placing an 'X' in the appropriate box beneath the scale on the top:

Table with 6 columns: Intellectual Ability, Academic Achievement, Creative Qualities, Maturity and Emotional Stability, Leadership Potential, Initiative, Ability to Express Ideas and Feelings Orally, Ability to Communicate in Writing, Ability to Accept Constructive Feedback, Sensitivity. Columns are labeled Poor, Average, Good, Outstanding, Unable to judge.

We are especially interested in your comments regarding this applicant's aptitude for theological study. What do you consider to be the applicant's major strengths?

In what area does the applicant need further development?

Summary Evaluation

- \_\_\_\_\_ I strongly recommend this applicant for admission. This applicant has the capability to perform at a superior level.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I recommend this applicant for admission. I believe the applicant's performance should be comparable to most theology students.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I believe that the applicant's qualifications are marginal, but the applicant has potential and would benefit from study in your program.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I do not recommend this applicant for admission to your program of studies.

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Evaluator's Signature

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Date

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Evaluator's Name (Type or Print)

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Evaluator's Position or Title

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Place of Evaluator's Ecclesial or Academic Assignment

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Evaluator's Telephone Number