

BHCC STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION: CONFIDENTIAL REFERENCE FORM

Part I: To be completed by the applicant.

Name of Applicant: _____ Date of Request: _____

References are due **NO LATER THAN 5:00 p.m. on 11/18/2022.**

Late references may prevent an applicant from being considered.

STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM: Costa Rica

Under the U.S. federal law (Section 438 of Public Law 90n 247, as amended), students are permitted access to certain education records. Section 438(a)(2)(B) provides that a student may waive the right to inspect confidential letters of recommendation. Many applicants have found that a recommendation letter written in confidence has a greater impact than one to which the applicant also has access. If you waive your right to inspect the information requested by this form, please sign below.

I waive my rights I do not waive my rights

Applicant's e-signature

Date

Part II: To be completed by the evaluator.

Name of References: _____

Position: _____ Organization/Institution: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____ Email _____

The above-mentioned applicant is applying for a Study Abroad Scholarship to the program listed above. We would appreciate your assessment of the applicant's attributes with which you are familiar. This reference will count 10 points toward 50 in the initial application process. Please return this form to the BHCC International Center, E236, by **5 p.m. November 18, 2022.** If you provide this reference to the student please place in a sealed envelope with your signature across the envelope seal. You may also email your completed reference to Prof. Robert Steeper rsteeper@bhcc.edu

- 1. Please describe the basis and extent of your acquaintance with the applicant.**
- 2. Please indicate the applicant's academic attributes. You may elaborate in the comments section if necessary.**

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	No opportunity to observe
Competence in major specialization	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Academic interest and motivation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to relate well to others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Capacity for independent study	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to express thoughts in speech/writing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reliability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. Please evaluate the applicant's suitability for program participation. You may elaborate in the comments section as necessary.

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	No opportunity to observe
Ability to adapt to new or unstructured circumstances	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Self-reliance/independence	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to relate well to others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Emotional stability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Open-mindedness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Integrity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4. Please state frankly your opinion of this candidate's chances for success (both academic and non-academic) in a study abroad program. Keep in mind the following: academic/personal suitability for study abroad; how an international experience may benefit the applicant, both academically and personally; and strengths which you believe the applicant might bring to such an experience. (You may also attach a recommendation letter to this reference form instead of commenting below).

5. Additional comments:

Evaluator's Name (please print clearly)

Evaluator's e-signature

Date