

**BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY  
DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY  
GRADUATE ADMISSIONS  
PERSONAL REFERENCE**

This form to be completed by the Applicant and the Reference and returned by the Reference to the History Department at Boise State University (see address on reverse side).

**PART I – To be completed by Applicant**

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 I waive (  ), I do not waive (  ) my right to have access to this Personal Reference Form.

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

List courses taken from the person giving the reference:

Course Number	Course Title	When Taken	Grade

Describe any other professional contacts with the person giving the reference:  
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To the Reference: The applicant is applying for admission to the Graduate College at Boise State University to study history and has listed you as a reference. Please complete this form and return it to the address given on the reverse side.

**PART II – To be completed by Reference:**

- I  do  do not know the students academic abilities well enough to give the applicant a recommendation.
- Summary evaluation: Overall scholarly ability. In comparison with a representative group (see note below) of students in the same field who have had approximately the same amount of experience and training, how do you rate the applicant in GENERAL ALL-AROUND SCHOLARLY ABILITY?

- Truly Exceptional      Equivalent to the very best you have known – a person who, in your experience, appears only every few years.
- Superior                      Comparable to the best student in current class. Highest 5% .
- Outstanding                Next highest 5%.
- Good                            Ability easily identifiable, but not in upper 10%. Probably in upper 15%.
- Above Average              Probably upper 25%.
- Average                        Upper 50%.
- Below Average              Lower 50%, but recommended.
- Not recommended for Graduate Study

