Recommendation Form
WSU SCHOOL OF NURSING
Doctor of Nursing Practice (D.N.P.) Program

Section A: To be completed by the applicant:

Applicant Name (please print) ____________________________________

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__ I do waive   __ I do not waive my right to inspect the contents of the following recommendation

Signed _________________________________________  Date ______________________________

Section B: To be completed by the person serving as a reference:

Please check the small box preceding your response to each of the following attributes:

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<th>ATTRIBUTES</th>
<th>(4) Outstanding</th>
<th>(3) Above Average</th>
<th>(2) Satisfactory</th>
<th>(1) Below Average</th>
<th>Unable To Judge</th>
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<td>CURRENT NURSING KNOWLEDGE</td>
<td>€ Recognized by peers for expertise</td>
<td>€ Stays current</td>
<td>€ Familiar with most general information</td>
<td>€ Possesses limited current information</td>
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<td>CREATIVITY/INNOVATION</td>
<td>€ Generates new ideas; grasps new information easily, great intellectual curiosity</td>
<td>€ Contributes to development of new ideas; grasps new information.</td>
<td>€ Supports the development of new ideas; deals adequately with information.</td>
<td>€ Maintains status quo; requires assistance with new information</td>
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<td>ACCOUNTABILITY</td>
<td>€ Thoroughly accountable for own actions</td>
<td>€ In general accepts responsibility for own actions</td>
<td>€ Gives excuses for own actions</td>
<td>€ Projects blame on others as reason for own actions</td>
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<td>WRITTEN COMMUNICATION SKILLS</td>
<td>€ Outstanding in the written expression of ideas</td>
<td>€ Expresses ideas logically and succinctly in writing most of the time</td>
<td>€ Uses correct grammar and punctuation but has trouble with logical order</td>
<td>€ Has some trouble with logical order, grammar/ punctuation</td>
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<td>ORAL COMMUNICATION SKILLS</td>
<td>€ Very articulate; outstanding command of language</td>
<td>€ Articulates ideas clearly and logically</td>
<td>€ Articulates fairly well but order of ideas is not always logical</td>
<td>€ Weak in oral skills including command of language</td>
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<td>PERSEVERANCE</td>
<td>€ Focused on goals; completes tasks; overcomes obstacles</td>
<td>€ Completes tasks with appropriate direction</td>
<td>€ Usually focused; completes most tasks; requires some directions</td>
<td>€ Not well-focused; rarely completes tasks without direction</td>
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<td>ORGANIZATION</td>
<td>€ Prioritizes and accomplishes tasks independently</td>
<td>€ Organizes work and accomplishes tasks with minimal direction</td>
<td>€ Reorganizes efficient ways of accomplishing tasks with some direction</td>
<td>€ Variable efficiency in managing tasks</td>
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<td>LEADERSHIP</td>
<td>€ Forceful leader; promotes top performance from others</td>
<td>€ Influences and inspires others; gets job done well</td>
<td>€ Receives routine cooperation; gets job done satisfactorily</td>
<td>€ Frequent difficulty in obtaining cooperation; or getting job done</td>
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<td>DECISION MAKING</td>
<td>€ Excellent in considering consequences of decisions and taking appropriate action</td>
<td>€ Generally competent in making decisions and taking action on them</td>
<td>€ Analyzes a situation correctly but has difficulty deciding on a course of action</td>
<td>€ Has difficulty analyzing problems and arriving at decisions</td>
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<td>ADAPTABILITY/TOLERANCE</td>
<td>€ Highly flexible; can handle many varied assignments</td>
<td>€ Usually learns new assignments with normal supervision</td>
<td>€ Average amount of guidance needed to learn variety of duties</td>
<td>€ Has some difficulty when shifted to new/different</td>
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**RELIABILITY/DEPENDABILITY**

- Consistently reliable; needs minimal or no supervision
- Usually meets responsibilities carefully and correctly
- Usually can be depended upon, needs guidance on important matters
- Somewhat unreliable; requires occasional check on routine tasks

**STRESS TOLERANCE**

- Works well under pressure; enjoys challenges and problems
- Tolerates pressure; tolerates crises better than most
- Has an average tolerance for crises; usually remains calm
- Occasionally goes to pieces under pressure; is "jumpy" and nervous

**OVERALL POTENTIAL FOR GRADUATE STUDY**

- Highly likely to be successful in graduate studies
- Likely to be successful in graduate studies
- Has potential for success in graduate studies
- Likely to have some difficulties in graduate studies

**Comments:**

____________________________________________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________________________________

Section C: Identification information and signature of the person serving as a reference:

Name ___________________________ Credentials ____________________________

Position ________________________________________________________________

Place of Employment __________________________ Business Phone __________________________

Length of time you have known the applicant: __________________________ Email __________________________

Capacity in which you have known the applicant: (Please check all that are applicable.)

- Personally
- As a professional colleague
- As a nursing student
- Only casually
- Other (please explain) __________________________

Signature of reference ________________ Date ________________

Thank you for completing.

PLEASE MAIL THE COMPLETED REFERENCE FORM TO:

DNP - Graduate Nursing Program
School of Nursing, Box 41
Wichita State University
1845 Fairmount
Wichita, KS 67260-0041
(Telephone 316-978-5704)

Prior to admission consideration, accepted students must meet the admission criteria to the graduate nursing program, the DNP admission criteria (including GPAs and prerequisites), and be admitted to Wichita State University Graduate School.

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