



HSI Pathways to the Professoriate

California State University, Northridge

Letter of Recommendation

Priority Deadline: December 2, 2019

Applicant: Please complete this section, and submit this form to a faculty member who is familiar with your academic work and your personal qualifications for the HSI Pathways to the Professoriate program at CSUN. Include the completed recommendation in your application packet in a signed and sealed envelope.

Name of applicant: _____

Student ID Number: _____ Email address: _____

In accordance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, candidates may wish to waive their rights to see their recommendation letters. Please select one option below:

☐ ☐ I waive my right of access to this recommendation

☐ ☐ I retain my right of access to this recommendation

Signature of applicant: _____ Date: _____

To the Recommender: The above applicant is applying for the HSI Pathways to the Professoriate program at California State University, Northridge. We would appreciate your candid evaluation of the individual named above as a potential Student Fellow for this program. More information is available at <http://www.csun.edu/hsipathways> or email hsipathways@csun.edu with any questions.

Name of recommender: _____

Title/Department: _____

Email address: _____

How long have you known the applicant, and in what capacity? _____

Please indicate the applicant's ability and competence in comparison with other individuals whom you have known at similar stages in their careers:

Academic Performance	Exceptional	High	Average	Below Average	No basis for judgement
Potential for Independent Research	Exceptional	High	Average	Below Average	No basis for judgement
Intellectual Ability.	Exceptional	High	Average	Below Average	No basis for judgement
Motivation for Advanced Graduate Work	Exceptional	High	Average	Below Average	No basis for judgement
Writing Skills	Exceptional	High	Average	Below Average	No basis for judgement
Oral Expression	Exceptional	High	Average	Below Average	No basis for judgement
Maturity and Seriousness of Purpose	Exceptional	High	Average	Below Average	No basis for judgement
Perseverance	Exceptional	High	Average	Below Average	No basis for judgement

What is your overall recommendation of this student for admittance to the HSI Pathways program?

- ☐ ☐ Strongly recommend
- ☐ ☐ Generally recommend
- ☐ ☐ Recommend with reservations
- ☐ ☐ Do not recommend

The fundamental goal of the HSI Pathways to the Professoriate program is to build a pipeline from CSUN to PhD programs, as we seek to transform the landscape of the faculty in the humanities (and related fields), especially as it relates to Latinx presence and visibility. We are looking for students with a commitment to this goal. HSI Pathways to the Professoriate will support these students as they apply for Ph.D. programs, and will provide them with programming and mentoring to build the skill sets necessary for their success in these programs.

In a separate letter of recommendation, please write candidly about the student's commitment to the goals of the HSI Pathways to the Professoriate program at CSUN. We are especially interested in your comments on the following:

- ☐ Academic promise;
- ☐ Potential for graduate-level work;
- ☐ Commitment to pursuing a faculty career in their chosen field;
- ☐ The applicant's general character.

We request your signed letter on letterhead, with this form, in a sealed envelope with the flap of the envelope signed. The student will include this envelope in their application packet.

Your candid recommendation is vital to the selection process. Thank you for your time!
