

## **Faculty Recommendation**

The faculty mentor's recommendation is an important part of the grant award process. While you may be requested to write a recommendation for more than one project, please be advised that in most cases a maximum of two students or two group projects of any given faculty mentor will be funded. It is therefore frequently advantageous to support only those students you feel have both good projects and well-written proposals. Because applications and recommendations may be reviewed by faculty in disciplines and departments other than that of the student and faculty applicants, it is important that both the student proposal and faculty recommendation be written so that an intelligent, educated person in another field is able to understand the proposal.

### **Faculty Mentor Contact Information**

Name:

Department:

Email:

Office Phone:

### **Feasibility, Faculty Role, and Student Learning Outcomes**

- In your opinion is this proposal feasible (i.e. can it be accomplished as outlined in the application and does the student (s) have the requisite skills)?
- If this project is funded, describe what your role will be. Specific details will enhance your recommendation.
- Identify the measurable learning outcomes you have identified for the student(s) undertaking this project.

### **Student Potential for Successful Completion of Project**

This portion of the recommendation is extremely important. Please answer each question thoroughly for each of the students involved in this project. If this is a group project, it is critical that answers about each student be provided.

- Student Name (last, first). If a collaborative project, provide the name of each participant.
- What is your assessment of the student's ability to complete this project successfully given the length and type of relationship you have had with the student? Speak to the student's academic ability, motivation, academic and career goals relevant to the project. If a collaborative project, provide information about each student.
- If the student(s) receives a grant, you are required to mentor, supervise, assess, and grade the student(s) enrolled in a directed independent research study course as part of his/her/their award. Please indicate your willingness to meet this requirement by including the following statement at the conclusion of your recommendation:

I will supervise and grade the student(s) enrolled in a Directed Independent Research course. Prior to the student (s) submission of the Grant, I have discussed the project, timetable, and budget request and I approve and support the student (s) Grant.