



ST. NERSESS ARMENIAN SEMINARY

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Letter of Reference

Name of Applicant: _____

Name of Recommender: _____

The above-mentioned applicant is seeking admission to St. Nersess Armenian Seminary and has offered your name as a reference. Please fill out this form and, on a separate sheet, attach a recommendation in which you comment on the candidate's personality, character, intellectual ability, promise for growth, as well as any other information that would help us to evaluate this person as a potential clergyman or lay church worker. Be sure to indicate how long you have known the candidate and in what capacity.

For each of the areas listed below, check as many boxes as apply to the applicant.

Christian Commitment and Character

- Above reproach
- Undeveloped in certain areas
- Obvious, positively discernible
- Questionable
- No basis for judging

Church Involvement

- Serves in some capacity
- Attends regularly
- Attends occasionally
- Invested in the life of the Church
- No basis for judging

Capacity for Church Leadership

- Demonstrates leadership abilities
- Lacks leadership abilities
- Potential for leadership
- Authoritative, can be harsh
- Respected and responsible
- No basis for judging

Communication Skills

- Articulate, effective communicator
- Some difficulty in oral or written expression
- Comprehends well
- Slow to understand
- Argumentative
- No basis for judging

Reasoning and Decision-making Ability

- Insightful, logical thinker
- Impetuous, acts without thinking
- Seeks the counsel of others
- Disregards sound advice
- Intellectually average
- No basis for judging

Motivation and Perseverance

- Highly motivated for theological study
- Easily distracted/discouraged
- Demonstrates persistence/dutifully studious
- Lacks resolve/easily swayed by circumstances
- No basis for judging

Emotional Maturity and Stability

- Accurate self-understanding
- Insecure, poor self-image
- Prone to anger
- Exercises self-control
- Prone to depression
- Demonstrates emotional stability
- Emotionally unstable
- No basis for judging

Interpersonal Relationships

- Approachable, sought by others
- Avoided by others
- Tolerated by others
- Outgoing, seeks out others
- Withdrawn, avoids others
- Inappropriate in mixed settings
- Difficulty maintaining relationships
- No basis for judging

Sensitivity to Others

- Responsive to the needs of others
- Insensitive to the feelings of others
- Compassionate, caring
- Impatient with others
- Intolerant to opposition
- Encouraging
- No basis for judging

Responsibility

- Dependable and trustworthy
- Tends to be irresponsible or careless
- Always procrastinating
- Completes work in a timely manner
- Difficulty in managing personal finances
- No basis for judging

Cooperation

- Works well with others
- Intimidated in group settings
- Shares responsibility
- Dominates in group settings
- Does not work well with different personalities
- No basis for judging

Signature _____

Title and/or Position: _____

Address: _____

Tel: _____

Date: _____

Please return this form, with your recommendation letter attached, directly to:

St. Nersess Armenian Seminary

Admissions Committee

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