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**MRC Unit for Lifelong Health and Ageing at UCL**

**Reference form for a PhD studentship**

An application has been made for a PhD studentship and your name has been given as a referee. To assist us in the selection process, could you please complete the four sections of this form.

**Applicant’s Name:**

**1. (a) How long have you known the applicant? (b) In what capacity do you know the applicant?**

**(c) If you are an academic referee, please indicate the cohort against whom you are measuring the applicant (e.g. number of students/ all students in current year/all students you have ever taught):**

**2. Please assess the applicant on a scale of 1 (lowest) to 10 (highest) in relation to the following criteria by placing an ‘X’ the one appropriate number box for each criteria line:**

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|  | **1** | **2** | **3** | **4** | **5** | **6** | **7** | **8** | **9** | **10** |
| **Intellectual ability** |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Motivation** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Written communication skills** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Oral communication skills** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Ability to organise workload** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Originality** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Overall assessment of applicant** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**3. Please could you comment in writing on the applicant including if they have not yet graduated, what final degree classification or grade he/she is expected to obtain and any further relevant information, for example performance in the workplace or suitability for the PhD programme.**

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**4. Recommendation (please mark one choice with an ‘X’)**

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| **I strongly recommend this applicant for the PhD programme** |  | **I recommend this applicant for the PhD programme** |  |
| **I do not recommend this applicant for the PhD programme** |  | **I am unable to comment** |  |

**5. Your Contact Details**

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| **Name** |  |
| **Occupation** |  |
| **Institution** |  |
| **Email Address** |  |
| **Telephone Number** |  |

**Thank you for your cooperation in completing this form. The information you have provided will be treated in the strictest confidence.**

**Please send the completed form by email to** **jane.johnson@ucl.ac.uk** **using “Reference: [Student’s Name]” in the subject field by 9th January 2019.**