**Applicant:** Please provide the information requested and give this form to your choice of academic reference. Please print.

Name of Applicant ____________________________ BU ID ____________________________

Name of Program (First Choice) ____________________________ Semester/Year ____________

Phone ( ) ____________________________ E-mail ____________________________

College/University ____________________________ Major ____________________________

Check ONE of the following statements and then SIGN BELOW:

☐ I hereby forgo any claim to access to letters of reference written on behalf of my application to the Boston University Study Abroad program indicated above.

☐ I do not wish to forgo any claim to access to letters of reference written on behalf of my application to the Boston University Study Abroad program indicated above.

Signature of Applicant ____________________________ Date ____________________________

**Recommender:** This candidate’s application will not be reviewed until we receive this form. Please return it promptly to the applicant in a signed and sealed envelope or send it directly to the address or fax number below.

Name ____________________________
Title ____________________________
Department ____________________________
College/University ____________________________
Phone ( ) ____________________________ Fax ( ) ____________________________
E-mail ____________________________

1. How long have you known the applicant? In what capacity?

   Duration: Since ________
   ☐ Continuous contact
   ☐ Infrequent contact
   ☐ No contact since ________
   ☐ Only through records

   Capacity: ____________________________
   ☐ Student in large class/lecture
   ☐ Student in small class/seminar
   ☐ Advisee
   ☐ Interviewee

2. Describe the applicant as a student.

   Assessment: ____________________________
   ☐ Excellent student
   ☐ Above average student
   ☐ Average student
   ☐ Below average student

   Basis of Assessment: ____________________________
   ☐ Personal knowledge/records
   ☐ Reports of others
   ☐ Record review only
   ☐ Insufficient record to judge
Student Name__________________________________________________________________________
Name of Program (First Choice) ____________________________________________________________
Semester/Year _________________________________________________________________________

3. How would you rate the student’s communication skills?

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<tr>
<th>Oral Skills:</th>
<th>Written Skills:</th>
<th>Basis of Assessment:</th>
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<tr>
<td>□ Excellent</td>
<td>□ Excellent</td>
<td>□ Coursework</td>
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<td>□ Above average</td>
<td>□ Above average</td>
<td>□ Review of writing</td>
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<td>□ Average</td>
<td>□ Average</td>
<td>□ Interview</td>
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<td>□ Below average*</td>
<td>□ Below average*</td>
<td>□ Reports of others</td>
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<td>□ Observation</td>
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Basis of Assessment: ____________________________

*Comments:
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5. The student will be part of a program that lacks the structure of a typical U.S. college/university environment. Is the student self-reliant and mature enough to perform well in this type of program?

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<th>Self-reliance:</th>
<th>Maturity:</th>
<th>Basis of Assessment:</th>
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<td>□ Very self-reliant</td>
<td>□ Very mature</td>
<td>□ Personal knowledge</td>
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<td>□ Generally self-reliant</td>
<td>□ Fairly mature</td>
<td>□ Reports of others</td>
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<td>□ Will require help*</td>
<td>□ Somewhat immature*</td>
<td>□ Records only</td>
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Basis of Assessment: ____________________________

*Comments:
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6. Please provide a brief statement about the student that addresses the student’s strengths and weaknesses as they relate to the proposed off-campus study experience. If you were the director of the applicant’s proposed program, would you be eager to have this student as a participant?

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◆Recommender: Please sign and date here:
Signature ____________________________
Date ____________________________