ACADEMIC REFERENCE FORM
for a study abroad program with GlobaLinks Learning Abroad

TO THE APPLICANT:
This reference should be completed by a faculty member. Employers are not acceptable references. Please answer the first seven questions on this form and then give it to the faculty person who will provide the reference.

1. Student Name: _________________________________________

2. E-mail address: ________________________________ Phone: _______________________

3. My major is: ________________________________. I am planning to study mainly __________________________ while abroad.

4. I am applying to study at ________________________________ in ________________________________

5. Name of the faculty person who will be asked to fill out this form: ________________________________

6. I am planning to study abroad for a:

   □ Semester Abroad   □ Year Abroad
   □ Summer Short Course □ January Short Course    Program beginning _________

7. I, ________________________________, hereby □ Waive □ Retain my right to have access to the information provided in this reference.

Signature: ________________________________ Date: ________________________________

TO THE ACADEMIC REFERENCE
The above student is requesting your assistance in providing a reference for his/her participation in a study abroad program through GlobaLinks Learning Abroad.

International experience is considered an important part of education. While these opportunities have many benefits, the overseas experience can challenge and build upon a student’s ability to interact with a variety of situations, one of which is the foreign academic system. The following information will help us select students who will be able and willing to gain the most from such an experience. We appreciate your time and consideration.

After completing this form (front and back), please mail/fax/e-mail it directly to:

The Honors College
Michigan State University
Eustace-Cole Hall
468 E. Circle Drive, Room 105
East Lansing, MI 48824-1041
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Name:

Academic Reference Name:

Title: Department:

Home Institution:

Address:

City: State: Zip:

Telephone: ( ) Fax: ( ) Email:

1. Please indicate any classes which the above student has taken from you.

2. If you have not had this student in class, how do you know the applicant?

3. In general, how do you feel the applicant will benefit both personally and academically from an international experience?

4. Please rank the applicant in the following categories.

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5. Please briefly describe reservations, if any, you may have with regards to this student’s participation in an international program.

6. Final Comments:

Signature: Date:

PLEASE RETURN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO:

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