

ACADEMIC and PERSONAL LETTER OF REFERENCE
JONATHAN PARADISE ISRAEL EXPERIENCE FUND
Stacy Beckwith, Judaic Studies

Return your completed application to: Jean Sherwin,
Administrative Assistant to the Middle Eastern Languages Department – LDC 230
by 4:00 pm on Wednesday, April 8, 2015

ACADEMIC REFERENCE FOR _____

(student's name)

I hereby waive my right of access to the information contained in this recommendation, thereby ensuring the confidential nature of your comments.

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

Study abroad requires emotional maturity, self-discipline, and a certain amount of physical stamina; participants must be able to adjust to different cultural influences, function as an active member of a group, keep up with a rigorous schedule, and at the same time, maintain academic work of high quality.

DIRECTIONS: Please place a mark at the point that best describes your impression of the student:

1. **CRITICAL SKILLS:** Assess the student's abilities at critical reading and writing.

/ _____ / _____ / _____ / _____ /
(no chance to observe) poor excellent

2. **DISCUSSION SKILLS:** Does the student participate adequately and appropriately?

/ _____ / _____ / _____ / _____ /
(no chance to observe) poor excellent

3. **FLEXIBILITY:** How does the student adjust to new situations?

/ _____ / _____ / _____ / _____ /
(no chance to observe) with a great deal of difficulty with little or no difficulty

4. **COLLEGIALITY:** How easily will the student get along with other Carleton students and staff people?

/ _____ / _____ / _____ / _____ /
(no chance to observe) with a great deal of difficulty with little or no difficulty

5. **STAMINA:** How will the student adjust to a physically demanding schedule?

/ _____ / _____ / _____ / _____ /
(no chance to observe) with a great deal of difficulty with little or no difficulty

6. **CURIOSITY:** How inquisitive will the student be in both academic and non-academic settings?

/ _____ / _____ / _____ / _____ /
(no chance to observe) not very inquisitive very inquisitive

7. OVERALL RECOMMENDATION: How would you summarize your overall recommendation?

- ☐ I recommend this student with enthusiasm.
- ☐ I recommend this student, although I have a few reservations.
- ☐ I cannot recommend this student--I don't have enough information.
- ☐ I cannot recommend this student--maybe another program, another time.

Please add any comments that might help the director:

 _____ Date

Signature

Please Print _____ Phone

Name