**ACADEMIC REFERENCE FOR STUDYING ABROAD**

**VIA THE WORLDWIDE PROGRAM OR ISEP**

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| Reference person\*: |       |
| Home Institution: | Katholische Universität Eichstätt-Ingolstadt |
| Name of student: |       |

\*(referee must be a university‐level professor or full-time academic advisor)

**1. Please indicate the applicant’s ability and academic competence** in comparison with other individuals whom you have known at similar stages in their academic careers:

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|  | Below average | Average | Above average | Outstanding | Inadequate opportunity to observe |
| Knowledge in area of specialization | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Motivation and seriousness of purpose | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Ability to plan and carry out research / independent study | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Ability to express thoughts in speech and writing | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Emotional stability and maturity | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Self-reliance and independence | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |

**2. Please submit a reference letter to answer the following questions on a separate sheet with your institution’s letterhead.** Include your name, title, office address, email address, and signature. Please address the following points:

* How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant?
* Please comment specifically on the applicant in terms of the following:
	+ academic suitability for study at an institution abroad;
	+ personal suitability for living abroad;
	+ how studying at an institution abroad will be of benefit, both academically and personally;
	+ weaknesses, if applicable;
	+ linguistic preparation, if applicable;
* any other factors that you believe may affect a successful experience abroad.