

# First Year Experience & Learning Communities

## Learning Community Peer Leader Program Recommendation Form

### To the Applicant:

Applicant Name (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_

The above named applicant retains the right of access to this document unless the applicant has selected to waive access below:

I hereby waive any and all rights of access to this document which is to be included in my application file for the position of University of Cincinnati Learning Community Peer Leader. I understand that this document may be used to evaluate my qualifications for employment.

Yes, I waive my right to access this form. (The student may not see the recommendation.)

No, I DO NOT waive my right to access this form. (The student may see this recommendation.)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

### To the Recommender:

You have been asked to provide a recommendation for employment as a Learning Community Peer Leader.

Peer Leaders within First Year Experience and Learning Communities are upper-class students who provide academic support, mentor and facilitate Learning Community classroom-based meetings throughout the year.

Learning Communities at the University of Cincinnati enable small groups of first year students, typically between 15-24 people with similar academic interests, to enroll in two or more courses together. There are more than 100 different learning communities for students to choose from at UC. The partnerships that first year students form with faculty, staff, and other students in learning communities provides a cohesive learning experience centered around courses that fulfill core requirements. The majority of LCs also have the additional benefit of meeting twice a week with an upper-class student (a Peer Leader) to discuss assignments, resources and campus opportunities.

This position calls for a person with a high degree of academic excellence, maturity, flexibility, and one who has exhibited leadership ability. Please rate and comment on the capabilities of the applicant, as appropriate.

Name of Reference: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_ Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

How long, and in what capacity, have you known the applicant?

Please rank the applicant on the following criteria comparing to other students with whom you have worked.

	Exceptional (Top 5% of the students I have encountered)	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Unknown
Ability to be an academic role model	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to mentor peers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to think critically	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to utilize constructive feedback	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Appreciation for diverse perspectives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communication skills (oral and written)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cooperation and ability to work with others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Leadership ability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maturity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Motivation and Initiative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Professionalism	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sense of responsibility	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please comment on any criteria in which you rated the applicant as Exceptional. (Use additional paper if necessary.)

Based on your knowledge of the applicant, as well as considering the type of position for which the applicant is applying, please indicate your overall recommendation.

- Recommend highly                       Recommend  
 Recommend with reservations       Not recommended

Signature of Recommender: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for taking the time to complete this recommendation form. This will greatly help us in our selection process. You may return this form to the applicant in a sealed envelope or you may email it directly to:

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