Fulbright Letters of Recommendation Tips
ETA applications
University of Delaware

Students: Please give your Fulbright recommenders this handout. In addition, provide your recommenders with a **copy of your statement of grant purpose, personal essay and resume**.

Recommenders: The Fulbright is a cultural exchange with an academic component. The Commission is looking for students who are a good fit for the proposed country and the proposed project.

The ETA recommendation is a form containing specific questions with word limits for each answer.

**Deadline:** The ETA recommendation form must be completed on the Fulbright site by **5:00 p.m. September 15th**.

The questions recommenders can expect to address on this form are:

1. How strong are the candidate’s English skills, both orally and in writing?
2. In what ways has the candidate shown an interest in teaching, either through classroom behavior and/or extracurricular activities, jobs or volunteer work?
3. How well does the candidate handle unstructured or ambiguous situations?
4. How might the candidate interact with students and others in a different cultural environment?
5. How well would this candidate represent the United States abroad?

Please feel free to provide specific examples for the questions above. Avoid giving faint praise and vague platitudes.

The student will register you online to give you access to the ETA recommendation form.

For additional reference suggestions from the Fulbright Commission as well as how to submit your letter online, see the “Instructions for Reference Writers” on the Fulbright site: [www.us.fulbrightonline.org/applicants/application-tips/eta](http://www.us.fulbrightonline.org/applicants/application-tips/eta)