



**MA in Policy Economics, Williams College
Reference for Admission
2023-2024 Academic Year, August through June**

Please upload the completed form by January 2, 2023 at
https://williamscollege.formstack.com/forms/official_reference_form

This recommendation form is based on the document from the Joint Japan/World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program. The form meets the needs of both Williams College and the JJ/WBGSP.

To the Recommender: The letter of recommendation is confidential and will not be shared with the applicant. If you do not fill out the form in English, please include an informal English translation. Please limit your responses to no more than 400 words per question. We are looking for concrete example(s) from your direct observation of the applicant that demonstrate the quality of the applicant's professional experiences and accomplishments, as these details will help us assess the applicant's qualifications.

Applicant's Name:

Applicant's Country of Citizenship:

Applicant's Position and Employer:

Referee's Name:

Referee's Position and Employer:

Referee's Work Address (street, city, country):

Referee's Email Address:

Referee's Phone Number:

Indicate your most recent position vis-à-vis the applicant in the work environment:

The applicant's supervisor

Employed in the same institution at a higher position than the applicant's direct supervisor

The applicant's peer

The applicant's subordinate

The applicant's client or business partner

None of the above

Are you currently working with the applicant?

How many years have you known the applicant in a professional setting (do not count time that the applicant was a student)?

1. Please describe the applicant's professional strengths and achievements using concrete examples of situations when these attributes were directly observed by you. If applicable, we would also be interested in details about the applicant's participation in development projects and professional recognition and awards (max. of 400 words)

2. Please describe using concrete example(s) / situation(s) you have directly observed that demonstrate the degree of the applicant's commitment to a long-term career of working in their country/region on its development challenges. If you have not witnessed any demonstrated commitment, please indicate this fact. (max. of 400 words)

3. Please feel free to share any other information / insights you think may be helpful in the review of this application. For example, this could include any difficult personal hardships the applicant has faced in the past (i.e. refugee status, orphaned, etc.) or any reason you would hesitate to recommend this applicant for the scholarship. (max. of 400 words)