I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, request that you evaluate me as a potential candidate for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ school, and your completed evaluation be sent to the Pre-Health Professions Committee of Western Connecticut State University.

**For the student:** I request that this evaluation be sent to the Pre-Health Professions Committee of WCSU with the understanding that all or parts of it may be sent to the admissions offices of professional schools in the health sciences that I designate.

 Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Students may access this letter unless they waive that right in writing according to the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act. A student is not required to waive their right to access the letter. If the student chooses to, the student should sign and date below:

I waive my right to access to this letter and any part of a composite letter which may draw from it, now and in the future.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**To the evaluator:** Please evaluate the above named student in comparison to others you have known that have pursued a similar program.

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|  | Outstanding (top 5%) | Superior (next 5%) | Good (next 10%) | Above average (next 20%) | Average (middle 20%) | Below Average (lower 30%) | Poor (lowest 10%) | No basis for judgement |
| Intellectual Ability |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Emotional Maturity |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Integrity |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Relationship with peers |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Initiative |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Consistency of Effort |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Ability to communicate |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| laboratory technique |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |

**Please see reverse side**

Please attach a signed and dated letter which:

* Begins with “Dear Admissions Committee”
* States your relationship with the student and the length of time you have known them
* Reflects on significant strengths AND weaknesses of the student

and addresses any of the following topics, as you feel comfortable. Concrete examples are helpful.

* + The student’s intellectual capacity to complete the academic demands of professional school (including problem-solving and critical thinking abilities)
	+ The student’s social/interpersonal skills when interacting with peers, instructors, employees, or patients.
	+ Their empathy and concern for others
	+ Their motivation for professional school
	+ Their leadership ability
	+ Their capacity for self-improvement
	+ Manual dexterity (dental school applicants)

Would you want this student to practice their envisioned profession on you or your family?

I recommend this student with enthusiasm

I recommend this student

I recommend this student with reservations

I do not recommend this student.

Signature Date:

Please return to

Kristin Giamanco

Giamancok@wcsu.edu

*If mail is preferred, please send to:*

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Biology Department

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Thank you for the time you invested completing this evaluation. It is very important for the students applying to professional school.