

2024 BECKMAN SCHOLARS PROGRAM LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FORM

Part A: To be completed by the Applicant

Instructions: Please complete Part A and share the form with the faculty member (other than your chosen BSP Mentor) who has agreed to recommend you for the BSP.

Applicant's Name: _____

I agree that the recommendation I am requesting shall be held in confidence by officials of the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, and I hereby waive any rights I may have to examine it.

Yes No

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Part B: To be completed by the Recommender

Your Name: _____

How long have you known the Applicant? _____

In what capacity do you know the Applicant? _____

Description of the Beckman Scholars Program: Funded by the Arnold and Mabel Beckman Foundation, the [Beckman Scholars Program](#) (BSP) is a 15-month mentored research experience for exceptional undergraduate students in chemistry, biological sciences, or interdisciplinary combinations thereof. The UW Oshkosh Beckman Scholars Program will accept six Beckman Scholars over the next three years, taking in two new scholars annually. Selected Beckman Scholars will conduct research alongside a [named Beckman Mentor](#) and receive a stipend of \$18,200.

Instructions: Your assessment of the applicant's character and promise as a scholar will assist the BSP Selection Committee in selecting the most qualified and capable applicants. **Please fill out the evaluation below and include a statement** that provides examples as to why this student would make an outstanding McNair scholar.

Deadline: March 11, 2024

Please e-mail this completed form to Cordelia Bowlus, the BSP Manager: <bowlusc@uwosh.edu>

Applicant's promise as a graduate student in comparison with others of similar age and experience	Below Average <i>Lowest 40%</i>	Average <i>Middle 20%</i>	Above Average <i>Next 15%</i>	Very Good <i>Next higher 10%</i>	Outstanding <i>Almost Top 5%</i>	Truly Exceptional <i>Top 5%</i>	Inadequate Opportunity to Observe
Research aptitude							
Intellectual potential							
Creativity and imagination							
Maturity							
Self-confidence							
Adaptability							
Reliability							
Ability to work with others							
Reaction to Criticism							
Oral communication skills							
Written skills							
Ability to analyze and formulate a solution							
Motivation for proposed program of study							
Potential for career advancement							

Please indicate the strength of your overall endorsement.

- Not recommended**

 Recommended with some reservations

 Recommended

 Highly Recommended

Name: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Position: _____

Contact information: _____