INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SEMINAR
STUDENT REQUEST FOR A REFERENCE

Student Instructions: Please print/type your name, as well as the name of the person from whom you will be requesting a reference, in the space provided below. Read and then sign your preferred waiver statement. In the check box below, indicate to which program you are applying. Also print your name on the reverse, and then forward this form to your reference.

STUDENT WAIVER
Applicant’s Name___________________________________Student ID# ________________________
please print
Home College or University:_____________________________________________________________
please print
Reference’s Name_______________________________        Position: Faculty        CSD        Other
please print

I,_______________________, HEREBY WAIVE any claim to access to reference forms written on behalf of my application to the off-campus program indicated below.

I,_______________________, DO NOT WAIVE claim to access to reference forms written on behalf of my application to the off-campus program indicated below.

Applicant’s Signature__________________________________________Date ____________

☐ The student has applied for the British Theater Studies

☐ The student has applied for the China Seminar

☐ The student has applied for the Greece Seminar

☐ The student has applied for the Israel Seminar

☐ The student has applied for the NYC Theater Program

☐ The student has applied for the South Africa Seminar
INSTRUCTIONS TO THE REFERENCE

_________________________________________, student, has requested your reference. The information you provide will be reviewed with other application materials to determine the student’s eligibility for participation in an off-campus program. Since off-campus programs present both personal and academic challenges, we ask that you first review the program description and objectives as outlined on the program website. Please follow program link under: http://gordon.edu/geo/shortterm&summer

Then, in order to assist us in determining the student’s readiness for this step in his/her academic program, please give honest, thoughtful and detailed responses to the questions below. If you prefer to respond on a separate piece of paper, please attach it to this reference form.

Please return references to:  Global Education Office  Deadline:  February 15th  Gordon College  255 Grapevine Road  Wenham, MA  01984

1. Academic habits, strengths, weaknesses: Based on the structure of the program as outlined on the website, how well is this student likely to perform academically in this kind of environment?

2. Interpersonal Relationships: Students will live in a new environment, separated from friends and family, faced with the uncertainties of a foreign culture. Do you have confidence that this student’s interpersonal skills will allow him/her to successfully work and relate to others in this environment? Are there particular personality traits that might serve the student favorably or unfavorably?

3. Moral maturity: Each program requires a well-developed sense of independence and personal responsibility. Students live under conditions which force them to rely more on their individual moral and ethical value systems and less on institutional regulations and direct personal supervision. What are your thoughts on how this student is likely to respond to this freedom?

4. Features of religious and spiritual life and identity: Can you comment on the quality of this student’s core spiritual commitment and how it expresses itself in life and worship? Do you feel the program will offer an opportunity for growth, or will this present a difficulty for the student?

6. __Highly Recommend  __Recommend  __Recommend with reservation  __Do not recommend

__________________________________________ Date_______________________________

Signature

__________________________________________ Position/Institution____________________

Name (please print)