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MIT Transfer Admissions

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Recommendation form

We would appreciate your honest assessment of the applicant's intellectual ability, self-confidence, originality, and willingness to accept challenge and responsibility. If the student has unique qualities or characteristics, please bring those to our attention.

Thank you for your contribution to our evaluation process. We very much appreciate the time and energy you put into writing. If you have any questions about this form, please feel free to contact our office.

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1. Your acquaintance with the applicant: *

know well

2. How does this student compare academically to other students you have taught? *

One of the top few encountered in my career

3. I recommend this student for MIT *

Fairly strongly

4. How has the student achieved good grades in your class?

By consistent hard work|By grade consciousness|By virtue of memory|By brilliance of mind|by interest to studying

5. What are the first words that come to mind to describe the applicant?

Hardworking, extremely intelligent, possessing outstanding skills in physics, constructive-minded, showing ability to find nontrivial approaches, communicative, productive, helpful.

6. Describe the quality of the applicant's intellect and hard work. Please comment on the student's originality of thought and ability to grasp difficult concepts. In what ways might you distinguish this student's academic performance from that of other able students?

Oleksandr is one of the most talented, hard-working, strong-minded and purposeful students I have ever met. He makes an impression of a highly apt student on all of his instructors. He easily comprehends new complicated concepts and methods and shows deep understanding of the topic. Oleksandr is very confident, he unhesitatingly tackles the most difficult problems and never gives up. He is advanced both in mathematics as well as in physics, which helps him come up with alternative solutions to various problems in physics more effectively than other students. He analyzes any problem quickly and deeply, and can guess the correct approach to the solution. Oleksandr's developed spatial imagination and creative thinking assist him in visualising and perfecting his ideas.

7. Are there unusual circumstances in the applicant's case (personal or academic) that you feel we should know?

Oleksandr is a multiple winner of various competitions in physics. He is the absolute winner of 4 consecutive National Olympiads, twice a winner (silver and gold) of the International Olympiad IPhO, the absolute winner of the research work competition among the members of the Minor Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, and the team-winner of the National Young Physicists Tournament. Moreover, he won gold for Ukraine at IPhO 2016 first time since the last win of a Ukrainian participant in 2007. Oleksandr likes to use his knowledge in his life and to share it with others.

In addition, Oleksandr likes practicing sports. He enjoys playing table tennis and especially cycling around the city in the evenings. He also plays chess very well and even has gained remarkable results in various chess competitions.

8. If you find this form too restricting, please feel free to attach a separate letter here.

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