

Questions that need to be answered :

- Context : What your connections are with the person
why they are qualified
the specific skills they have
- Specifics : Specific examples and anecdotes that illustrate
your support
Mention their accomplishments
- A match between the position's requirements and the
candidate's skills

Your contact information for follow up

- Should speak to personal qualities, as well as academic ability
- If there was a significant turning point, revelation or challenge
that affected you in the past few years, point it out
- the LOR should predict your future success
- It should paint you as a multi-dimensional person
- Provide us with the information and impressions we cannot
glean from the rest of the application
- If you do not know the applicant well, acknowledge this
- Has the student demonstrated a willingness to take
intellectual risks and go beyond the usual?
- Any unusual competence, talent or leadership abilities?
- Has the student ever met with disappointment/failure?
If so, how did they react?
- How might they fit into this university?

We appreciate strong statements that we'll remember
↳ backed up with context and achievements

Go beyond what we can get from other parts of the application

- # If you are providing two or more recommendation letters, it's smart to get people to write about two different aspects of your personality
- # show how you improved over time

Qualities to highlight:

- Has a clear sense of direction and plans according to that: she has been studying security and proactively reached out to professors to gather research experience
- Proactive: Does not hesitate to reach out
- Has the self-discipline to handle multiple tasks at hand
- Ability to overcome failure
- Excellent communication skills and public speaking
- Hard working: research and full-time job ~~and~~
- nerve ~~to~~ ~~to~~ ~~to~~ ~~to~~ ~~to~~ ~~to~~
- persistence in problem solving
- Does not follow trend. Takes the time to explore and formulate goals.

if the graduate program is looking for specific skills, mention those

Recommendation letter ~~will~~ ~~will~~ explain ~~why~~ prof ~~is~~ ~~good~~

- Contradicts when necessary
- Deliver quickly (huge data processing)
- Persistence
- Can quickly come up with her own ideas

- Can work without thorough guidance, reliable

Identify your unique selling points:

Determination

Communication, public speaking

level headed, can handle stress well

Clear sense of direction

- Committed to learning
- work under strict deadline

Review different components of admission and find out what story each component tells:

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1. Resume
2. Transcript
3. Statement of purpose
4. Test scores

My ability to come back from failure. Academic excellence. Determination.

Research interest:focused,she has clear sense of what she wants and works towards that

Awards and honors:takes challenge

Standardized tests:communication skills, public speaking always presents for the group

Research experiences text to comics: proactively reaches out to build research experience, problem solving capacity, persistence towards solving a problem

Planning and carrying out a task

Research experience crowdsourcing: proactive, can deliver under strict deadline, capacity to work without strict guidance, hardworking (data processing), quick learner, organized enough to make time for research despite having a full-time job

Security+: devoted to learning and self-development, determined, decides on a goal and makes plans to meet that

Professional experience: top companies in Bangladesh

Projects: certificate management done alone

Hobbies: outgoing person

LOR package: যাপ্তিক শ্রাবণ, মুকার্প্পাত শ্রাবণ
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≠ The best LORs are generally the most personal

How to write a good letter of recommendation:

1. Who the writer is
2. How they know the subject, in what capacities, for how long
3. substantive description of major research work
4. contextualize the research for its larger scope, import and promise
5. On the second paragraph, reassure skittish search committees that the dissertation is almost done
6. a brief indication of next steps in research and publishing
7. Discipline specific attributes : language fluency, technical skill
8. brief remark about character and personality (non-emotional and strictly non-gendered)
9. stay strictly at the level of evidence and substance

→ have to figure out how to do this. need more domain knowledge

this is the main contribution of LOR. articulate the significance of the research

10. Reaffirm some of the candidate's achievements listed on her CV

Source :



<https://theprofessorisin.com/2016/09/07/how-to-write-a-recommendation-letter/>

11. Person's character in terms of leadership, work ethic and collegiality

What is letterhead ?