BOSTON COLLEGE
GRADUATE SCHOOL OF
SOCIAL WORK

GSSW MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK
LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

This form and letter of recommendation should be included with your application materials or sent directly. Provide the recommender with an envelope addressed to:
Boston College Graduate School of Social Work, Admissions Processing Center, P.O. Box 227, Randolph, MA 02368-9998.

I. Instructions to the Applicant: You must provide all information requested in this top section. Print your name and BC Eagle ID number as they appear on your application to ensure that this recommendation will be matched to your file. **Please type or print.**

Print the name and address of your recommender. Provide him or her with an envelope addressed to Boston College GSSW. **They must seal the envelope and sign along the flap.**

Name of Recommender _____

Title _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

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Institution _____ Program _____

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Name of Applicant

_____
Boston College Eagle ID #

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Telephone

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Email

Under the provisions of the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, you (if admitted and enrolled) will have access to the information provided unless you have waived such access. Please sign and date below to inform us of your decision.

I hereby waive my right of access to the information in this recommendation.	**I do not waive my right** of access to the information in this recommendation.
_____	_____
Signature of applicant Date	Signature of applicant Date

II. Recommender
Under the provisions of the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, this applicant (if admitted and enrolled) will have access to the information provided unless he/she has waived such access.

1. How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant? _____

2. Please rate the applicant in comparison with others whom you have known at similar stages in their careers.

	Exceptional	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Average	Below Average	Unable to judge
Maturity and emotional stability	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑
Leadership ability	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑
Ability to organize and express ideas clearly and creatively in writing	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑
Ability communicate orally	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑
Ability to work effectively with others	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑
Capacity for analytical thinking	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑
Capacity for self-awareness	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑
Ability and desire to work with diverse populations	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑
Concern for the well-being of others	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑	❑

3. Please indicate the strength of your overall endorsement by placing an "X" along the scale below.

Highly recommended | Recommended | Recommended with some reservations | Not Recommended

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4. Please answer the following as candidly as possible in the space provided or in a separate letter. If attaching a letter, include the full name of the student and ID # as it appears above to ensure that your recommendation will be added to the correct applicant file. Please focus on questions and areas that you are best able to judge.

Name of Applicant

Boston College Eagle ID #

- Describe the candidate's character, integrity, ideals and motivation.
- What do you consider the applicant's major strength?
- In which area does the applicant need the most growth or improvement?
- Are they able and willing to work with disadvantaged populations?
- Are they prepared for the academic rigor of graduate study?
- Are you aware of any qualities that would adversely affect the applicant's performance in a graduate social work program or their ability to become a professional social worker?

Recommender's Name (printed)_____ Signature_____ Date_____