



UAF INTERDISCIPLINARY PHD
PROGRAM
LETTER OF ENDORSEMENT

To be completed by
Proposed Committee
Chair

Applicant's Name:	UA ID:
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICANT: Give this form to your proposed committee chair during the meeting that you arrange to discuss your research prospectus and devise your GSP where indicated in _____ h _____.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FACULTY: Please answer the questions below for the applicant noted above.

1. Based on the applicant's prospectus, summarize the applicant's proposed research and the interdisciplinary nature of this effort. For example, in what disciplines will the student need breadth and depth to reach academic goals (200 words).

2. Explain why this research should not be conducted under an existing disciplinary department or program at UAF (100 words).

3. Based on the applicant's prospectus, describe how your expertise as the committee chair and other committee member(s) will help the applicant effectively address his or her research question(s) (200 words). Please attach your CV and refer to it as necessary.

4. Provide details on the type of support that will be provided for the applicant, including (as applicable) financial support, office space, and engagement with peers in department, cohort, etc. (200 words)

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5. Describe the key academic and/or professional strengths of the applicant that will facilitate success in the INDS Program (100 words)

6. Describe any academic deficiencies that the applicant has that may hinder success in the INDS PhD program. For example: 1) Are you aware of any component of the applicant's academic file (e.g., GPA, GRE, current degree level) that may not meet minimum qualifications for acceptance into the INDS PhD program (see rubric), 2) What coursework or training will be required to help the applicant gain fundamental knowledge of disciplines with which the student has minimal experience or familiarity? As applicable, please provide additional details on how deficiencies have been or will be addressed. (200 words)

Committee Chair Name

Signature

Department

Note to Committee Chair: Please acquire your department chair's signature below and email the completed form along with a copy of your CV to uaf-grad-school@alaska.edu

I have discussed this applicant with the proposed committee chair named above. I'm aware if this student is admitted, he/she would be housed in my department / school.

Department Chair Name

Signature

Department

Applicant's Name: