Re: Application to the *Think about Teaching Foundation Course*

**Referee Form 1**

Dear Referee,

As you are aware, this applicant wishes to apply for a place on the Think about Teaching Foundation Course in Maynooth Universityand has put your name forward as a referee.

I am writing to ask you to complete the attached **Confidential Questionnaire** and return it to us.

The applicant’s completed application form, and this Confidential Questionnaire is reviewed by the Turn to Teaching staff in Maynooth University.

I would like to thank you for taking the time to complete the questionnaire. The information you provide will be of great assistance to us when it comes to selecting students for the courses. We place great importance on the information supplied by the referees and would appreciate your **absolute frankness on each question.** We would also askthat you are not guided by a wish to see the applicant placed on the course but by your **sense of his/her ability to contribute to and benefit from the course**. You will find that the questionnaire covers many areas. You may not feel in a position to answer every question, if this is the case do write this in the comment box.

Please return the questionnaire by **Friday,** **24th  of April 2020.** In the meantime if you should have any queries, do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards,

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**Name of Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**1**. Rate the applicant’s **potential** for **university study** by marking the appropriate box.

**Perserverence Excellent Poor**

**Past Record of Attendance Excellent Poor**

**Desire to Become a Teacher Excellent Poor**

**Capacity to Benefit from the Course**

**Excellent Poor**

**Potential to Cope with Academic Learning**

**Excellent Poor**

**Please comment on your assessment.** **If you know the applicant through an educational setting, please refer to their engagement with academic learning in your comments.**

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| **If typing your response, please expand the box as necessary:** |

**Referee Questionnaire**

**Name of Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**2. Please state how you know the applicant and how you think they will benefit from the course**

**3. What do you think the applicamt would require to succeed on the Think about Teaching Foundation Course?**

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| **4. What contribution will they make to the course?** |
| **5. In what area(s) do you think they might need support?** |

**6. What contribution will the applicant make to the teaching profession?**

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**Referee Contact Number**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**1**. Rate the applicant’s **potential** for **university study** by marking the appropriate box.

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**Referee Questionnaire**

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**2. Please state how you know the applicant and how you think they will benefit from the course**

**3. What do you think he/she would require to succeed on the Think about Teaching Foundation Course in order to ensure success with future studies?**

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| **4. What contributions will they bring to the course?** |
| **5. Where do you think they might need support?** |

**6. What contribution will the applicant make to the teaching profession?**

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