

## REU Faculty Sponsor Letter

Dear Faculty Sponsor:

One of your students is applying to the Oregon State University Research Experience for Undergraduates program. During this intensive eight-week program, students work on research projects under faculty supervision. They also attend a seminar covering a variety of mathematical topics. We try to give the students a good introduction to mathematics as a scholarly discipline and as an exciting profession. We would appreciate your brief answers to the following three questions concerning the applicant.

The preferred method of submitting a letter is by e-mail to:  
math\_reu at math dot oregonstate dot edu  
either as plain text in an e-mail message or as an e-mail attachment.

After receiving your letter, we will verify the phone and e-mail information that you provide. If you prefer not to submit an e-mail recommendation, please mail your letter directly to:

REU PROGRAM, Department of Mathematics,  
Kidder 368, Oregon State University,  
Corvallis, Oregon 97331-4605.

This form is also available online at:

[http://www.math.oregonstate.edu/~math\\_reu/reuref.htm](http://www.math.oregonstate.edu/~math_reu/reuref.htm)

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I am submitting this letter of reference with the understanding that the student has (has not) waived access to this letter.

Student Name:  
Faculty Name and title:  
Faculty Institution:  
Faculty Phone:  
Faculty e-mail:

1. What is your assessment of the student's general mathematical ability, creativity, and level of knowledge as compared to other undergraduate students?
  2. How much benefit would the student derive from participating in this program?
  3. Students often need advice and encouragement after the program, sometimes regarding projects started during the summer and sometimes regarding other undergraduate research endeavors. To what extent are you or other faculty members at your institution willing to supervise this student's work after the program?
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