



Applicant Information

Name:

Department:

Title of Proposed Project:

Reference Information:

Name:

Title:

This form provides the letter of support content suggested for the above-mentioned individual for the Faculty Research Support Program administered by the Center for Scholarly and Creative Excellence. It is expected that the applicant will supply you with information about his or her proposal. The review panel is particularly interested in your comments regarding:

- a) The applicant's general scholarly competence, recent performance, and promise of distinction in his or her field of interest;
- b) The value of the project in relation to scholarship in the field, outline the impact and significance;
- c) The applicant's ability to complete the described project successfully in the time schedule and the budget presented;
- d) Discuss the potential for external funding;
- e) How does this research fit the near-term goals of the department? In case of junior faculty what effect will this have on his or her career? In case of senior faculty, is the faculty member fully engaged in scholarly activities of the department?

Recommendations should also address the originality of the project and the quality and concept of the plan. Evaluations, where possible, should compare this researcher not only with individuals in the same field and rank at Grand Valley State University. How does this proposal compare to others from the department. Please craft your letter on the next page and save this document as "applicant's lastname_reference"
Letters should be returned electronically to the applicant for uploading.