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**Request for Recommendation
AEA Summer Training Program and AEA Minority Scholarships
UC Santa Barbara**

Note: This form must be completed by all applicants for admission to the AEA Summer Training Program, regardless of whether or not the applicant is also applying for a Minority Scholarship.

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

To the Applicant:

After completing the following section, give this form to a faculty member who is or has been your instructor in an economics, mathematics, or other quantitatively oriented course.

1. Name of Applicant: _____ SSN: _____
2. (Optional) I hereby waive my right of access to the material recorded below.

Signature of Applicant

Date

To the Faculty Member:

The person named above is applying to the American Economic Association Summer Training Program. The program is 8 weeks of intensive coursework in economics and econometrics, together with the quantitative underpinnings of these subjects. In addition to these courses, participants must complete a research project. The AEA offers scholarships for minority students who wish to participate in the Summer Training Program. Due to limited resources, we can only fund 30-35 students each summer.

1. Please complete the following form and questions.

	Exceptional	Above Average	Average	Below Average	No Information
Intellectual Ability					
Writing Ability					
Academic Preparation					
Motivation					
Stress Management Skills					
Organizational Skills					

1. I have known the student for _____ years.
2. During this time the student was a/an:

- Undergraduate Student
 Graduate Student
 Advisee of mine
 Departmental Assistant
 Assistant of mine
 Other (please specify) _____

In summary, my recommendation would be:

- Very Strong
 Strong
 Average
 Below Average

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2. Please attach a letter of recommendation that addresses the following questions:

- How well do you know the student?
- In your opinion, does the student have the ability and interest to earn a Ph.D in economics?
- How does the student compare with others who have pursued a graduate degree in economics?
- What are the student's one or two most important strengths as a scholar, which would be an asset to the AEA Summer Training Program and Economics Profession?
- What are the student's one or two most important limitations as a scholar, which might impede completion of the AEA Summer Training Program and/or the doctorate in economics?
- How can the AEA Summer Training Program help to overcome these limitations?

Respondent's Signature: _____ Title: _____ Date: _____

Place of Employment: _____

Name (printed or typed): _____ E-mail: _____

Address: _____

Check list: Recommendation Signed Y/N Recommendation Letter Attached Y/N

Please mail or e-mail (if emailed, letters submitted as .PDF files on letterhead are preferred; recommender should be sure to state his/her full name and title) this form to:

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