



**ACADEMIC OR PROFESSIONAL LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION
CIMBA ITALY PROGRAM**

APPLICANT: Please complete this section

Applicant's Name: _____
 Applicant's School: _____
 Current Address: _____

Please circle one of the options indicating the program you are applying for and indicate the year.		
Fall	Spring	Summer
Year: _____		

I waive the right to inspect this confidential recommendation. I understand that, according to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, this waiver is optional.

Signature

Date

DIRECTIONS TO THE RECOMMENDER:

This recommendation form is required for students who have a GPA below 2.75. Our goal is to try to ensure that students are able to have a successful academic session while abroad and to return with grades high enough to be counted toward their major. The person named above is applying for admission to the CIMBA Italy Program. You have been selected by the applicant to submit your comments on the applicant's qualifications for this program. The information supplied on this form will be used for the purpose of assessing the applicant's qualifications for admission and, if requested and funds are available, for financial assistance. Please take a few moments to fill out the following form. Your comments will be held completely confidential if the applicant has signed the statement above. Please enclose this form in an envelope, sign your name across the envelope seal, and return it to the candidate for submission with the remainder of the application package. If you prefer, this form can be scanned and emailed/faxed to the address listed on the last page of this form. If you would prefer to write an original letter, you are welcome to do so. Below you will find a brief description of the program. Thank you for your cooperation and assistance.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The CIMBA Italy program delivers high quality, upper-division business courses taught in English. Students come from institutions throughout the United States and represent many different backgrounds. This provides a very diverse student body. The CIMBA Italy program will be held at a complete university campus facility in Paderno Del Grappa in the Veneto region north of Venice, Italy. Classes emphasize the international learning environment and tend to focus on current international events and trends. Travel opportunities for the students are encouraged.

APPLICATION EVALUATION:

- How long have you known the applicant? _____
Years Months
- Under what circumstances have you known the applicant?

- 3) What are the applicant's primary strengths?

- 4) What are the applicant's primary weaknesses or liabilities? How might these affect the applicant's performance in a program abroad?

- 5) Please comment as specifically as possible on the applicant in terms of the following: 1) academic suitability for study abroad; 2) personal suitability for living abroad; 3) any other factors which you believe may affect a successful study abroad experience.

- 6) Please complete the rating grid by evaluating the applicant in relation to other students you have known in similar capacity.

	EXCEPTIONAL Upper 5%	OUTSTANDING Upper 10%	ABOVE AVG Upper 33%	AVERAGE Middle 33%	BELOW AVG Lower 33%	NO BASIS FOR JUDGEMENT
Conceptual Ability						
Analytical Ability						
Ability to Work With Others						
Initiative						
Maturity						
Effectiveness in Speaking						
Effectiveness in Writing						

Please describe the reference group that you are using to make your comparisons.

RECOMMENDATION:

I would (check one): _____ strongly recommend
 _____ recommend
 _____ recommend with reservations
 _____ not recommend

... that the applicant be admitted to the CIMBA Italy semester or summer study abroad program.

Name (type or print)

Signature

Title

Date

College/Organization

Business Address

Please return this document to:

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