



Recommendation Form
Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU)

Center for Nanoscale Systems (CNS)
Cornell University

Nanotechnology Research
June 2 – August 8, 2008

TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT

Name of Applicant: _____

Name of Recommender: _____

Under the provisions of the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, I hereby waive my right to inspect the recommendation given below with the understanding that it will be used only for purposes of consideration for an undergraduate research award.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Social Security Number: ____-____-____

TO BE COMPLETED BY RECOMMENDER

The applicant has applied for a summer research position in the area of nanotechnology research. We appreciate your frank and candid evaluation of the applicant's potential. Please complete the attached two-page form and return it to the address below.

Name of Recommender (please type or print): _____

Signature of Recommender: _____

Title: _____

Affiliation: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: (____) _____

1. In what professional capacity have you been associated with the applicant?

2. How long have you known the applicant and how well?

3. Level of Achievement and Areas of Proficiency: Compared to students at the same educational level, please rank applicant in the following areas.

	Don't Know	Poor	Average (Top 60%)	Good (top 30%)	Excellent (top 10%)	Outstanding (top 5%)
Knowledge of Materials Science and Engineering						
Knowledge of Physics						
Knowledge of Chemistry/Chemical Engineering						
Knowledge of Electrical Engineering						
Knowledge of Mechanical Engineering						
Aptitude for Theoretical Research						
Aptitude for Experimental Research						
Aptitude for Data Analysis						

4. Personal Characteristics: Compared to students at the same educational level, please rank the applicant in the following areas.

	Don't Know	Poor	Average (Top 60%)	Good (top 30%)	Excellent (top 10%)	Outstanding (top 5%)
Self-reliance and independence						
Imagination and originality						
Maturity and reliability						
Ability to communicate clearly and effectively						
Interest in research						

5. Please attach a brief narrative discussing the candidate's qualifications and suitability for participation in the REU program.

Please enclose this form and your recommendation in a sealed envelope, sign the flap of the envelope and return to the applicant or send directly to:

Cathy Wetterer
 REU Administrative Coordinator
 Center for Nanoscale Systems, Cornell University, 628 Clark Hall, Ithaca, NY 14853

Application deadline: February 1, 2008