

**ROBERT W. WOODRUFF DEBATE MERIT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
RECOMMENDATION FORM**

Instructions for completing this recommendation: Please fill out the information below. Include a one to two page letter of recommendation, sign, and return to the Barkley Forum for Debate, Deliberation, and Dialogue via email. We acknowledge that crafting a unique letter of recommendation for each debater is time consuming, but if you are submitting recommendations for multiple debaters, please reflect on what makes each debater distinctive and do not submit identical letters for multiple debaters. Distinct letters will improve the application of both applicants. All recommendations must be received by December 1.

Email Instructions

To: Mikaela Malsin - mikaela.malsin@emory.edu

Subject Line: Robert W. Woodruff Debate Merit Scholarship Recommendation

Name of Applicant: _____

Name of Person Completing this Form: _____

Your Relationship to the Applicant: _____

How long, and in what capacity, have you known the applicant? _____

Keeping in mind that we do not expect students entering college to have reached their full potential, please rate the applicant's skill in the following areas based on where they are now and what you believe they are capable of achieving as they mature intellectually and emotionally during their college years.

Area	Rating Currently 1 (lowest) to 5 (highest)	Rating Potential 1 (lowest) to 5 (highest)
Team leadership (willingness and ability to take initiative to support the efforts of an entire debate/speech team)		
Commitment to community		
Speaking and presence in debate		
Ability to do original research		
Ability to synthesize research into complete arguments		
Critical thinking and analysis		
Rebuttal skills (ability to make strategic choices and identify important issues in a debate)		

Signature of Recommender _____

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The mission of the Barkley Forum is *to further Emory's vision of a destination university as an inquiry-driven, ethically engaged, and diverse community using academic debate for positive transformation in the world through courageous leadership in teaching, research, scholarship and social action.* Using your knowledge of the applicant, please identify the characteristics that will help the applicant further the mission of the Barkley Forum for Debate, Deliberation, and Dialogue. Also, please speak to the applicant's potential to make the most of the college debate experience - their passion for debate, ability to make the most of opportunities provided to them, and their capacity for growth in debate.

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