

## TELEPHONE REFERENCE CHECK GUIDELINES Faculty Candidates

- You will need to complete a minimum of 2-3 telephone reference checks prior to a job offer/confirmation of assignment being made (a third check is required if either of the first two are less than satisfactory).
- Even if the candidate(s) that you are considering have already been employed at SRJC in some capacity, at least one reference is required prior to the job offer/confirmation of assignment.
- <u>Prior to placing any calls</u>, be sure to contact the candidate(s) being considered for the position or pool to let them know that you intend to contact their references (if you have not already forewarned them of this in the interview).
- Candidates will have provided contact information for their references on the second page of their employment application; ideally, you should contact the most recent employer first and speak with the candidate's supervisor (or other person who has evaluated their work). If the candidate has only provided names/phone numbers of co-workers or friends, let them know that you will need to speak with someone who has supervised their work. If you are having trouble reaching one or more of the references listed, contact the candidate for alternate reference information.
- When contacting references, begin by identifying who you are and why you are calling (candidates sign a waiver that authorizes you to contact their references with their application materials). You will find that you are most likely to get detailed responses if you first give a brief overview of the position/pool that the candidate is being considered for at SRJC.
- After you have filled in the information as requested on the top portion of the attached *Telephone Reference Worksheet*, contact the reference, first verifying the information in the top portion, and then asking the questions that follow.
- Completed reference sheets should be turned in to Human Resources along with the application materials, Interview Record Sheets and Recommendation Form which would have been included in the interview packet.
- Once the paperwork above has been submitted, Human Resources will prepare the salary placement and
  make a job offer to the candidate which will cover the basic pre-employment requirements. If the candidate
  accepts the offer, they will be asked to contact their immediate supervisor to discuss start date. For adjunct
  faculty, once reference checks have been completed, Human Resources will send confirmation that they are
  being added to the pool.

If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact Sarah Hopkins in Human Resources at x4831 or shopkins@santarosa.edu.

NAME OF CANDIDATE:		
POSITION/POOL BEING CONSIDERED	O FOR: DEPARTMENT:	
[A] REFERENCE #1		
NAME OF REFERENCE:	TITLE:	
NAME OF REFERENCE COMPANY:	PHONE NUMBER:	
REFERENCE'S RELATIONSHIP TO CA	NDIDATE (i.e. supervisor, co-worker, etc.):	
DATES OF EMPLOYMENT: From	To	(month/year)

1.	. What was the nature of his/her job with your institution/business?		
2.	What courses has this instructor taught?		
3.	. How would you describe student response to this instructor?		
4.	Has this individual taken part in any activities beyond assigned classes?		
5.	This person is applying to teach Does this candidate have the skills and		
	experience to teach in this area? ☐ Yes ☐ No If no, why not?		
6.	Has the candidate performed any training or leadership activities in your organization that would be applicable		
	to the classroom setting? Yes No If yes, please describe:		
7.	Overall, do you feel this candidate successfully performed assigned duties? Please describe:		
8.	Can you provide specific examples of how the candidate's performance was particularly commendable?		
9.	Why did he/she leave your employ?		
10.	Would you re-hire this person again? Yes No If no, why not?		
11.	Is there anything else you would like to comment on regarding this person, their employment at your institution/business, or job performance?		
RE	FERENCES CHECKED BY: DATE: DATE:		

## [B] REFERENCE #2 NAME OF REFERENCE: \_\_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_ NAME OF REFERENCE COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ REFERENCE'S RELATIONSHIP TO CANDIDATE (i.e. supervisor, co-worker, etc.): DATES OF EMPLOYMENT: From\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_ (month/vear) 1. What was the nature of his/her job with your institution/business? 2. What courses has this instructor taught? \_\_\_\_\_ 3. How would you describe student response to this instructor? \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Has this individual taken part in any activities beyond assigned classes?\_\_ 5. This person is applying to teach \_\_\_\_\_\_. Does this candidate have the skills and experience to teach in this area? Yes No If no, why not? 6. Has the candidate performed any training or leadership activities in your organization that would be applicable to the classroom setting? Yes No If yes, please describe: 7. Overall, do you feel this candidate successfully performed assigned duties? Please describe: 8. Can you provide specific examples of how the candidate's performance was particularly commendable? 9. Why did he/she leave your employ? 10. Would you re-hire this person again? Yes No If no, why not?\_\_\_\_\_ 11. Is there anything else you would like to comment on regarding this person, their employment at your institution/business, or job performance? \_\_\_\_\_ DATE:\_\_\_\_ REFERENCES CHECKED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

(signature/title)

## [C] REFERENCE #3 NAME OF REFERENCE: \_\_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_ NAME OF REFERENCE COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ REFERENCE'S RELATIONSHIP TO CANDIDATE (i.e. supervisor, co-worker, etc.): DATES OF EMPLOYMENT: From\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_ (month/vear) 1. What was the nature of his/her job with your institution/business? 2. What courses has this instructor taught? \_\_\_\_\_ 3. How would you describe student response to this instructor? \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Has this individual taken part in any activities beyond assigned classes? This person is applying to teach \_\_\_\_\_\_. Does this candidate have the skills and 5. experience to teach in this area? ☐ Yes ☐ No If no, why not?\_\_\_\_\_ 6. Has the candidate performed any training or leadership activities in your organization that would be applicable to the classroom setting? Yes No If yes, please describe: 7. Overall, do you feel this candidate successfully performed assigned duties? Please describe: 8. Can you provide specific examples of how the candidate's performance was particularly commendable? 9. Why did he/she leave your employ? 10. Would you re-hire this person again? Yes No If no, why not?\_\_\_\_\_ 11. Is there anything else you would like to comment on regarding this person, their employment at your institution/business, or job performance? \_\_\_\_\_ DATE:\_\_\_ REFERENCES CHECKED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

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