NIU School of Music Graduate Student Recommendation Rubric

Applicant's Name ____________________________________________________

Area/instrument/voice ____________________________________________

Recommended for (choose all that apply):

- [ ] Admission
- [ ] Admission plus Tuition Waiver
- [ ] Admission plus Assistantship
- [ ] Do Not Admit

Rank in area (# out of ## students; include both continuing and new): ________ Term of admission: Fall  Spring  Summer  20____

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<th>Audition</th>
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<td>Student does not meet minimum audition requirements</td>
<td>Student meets some audition requirements and is deficient in others</td>
<td>Student meets all minimum audition requirements</td>
<td>Student exceeds all audition requirements</td>
<td>Student exceeds all audition requirements and performs at an extremely high level</td>
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<th>Technical Ability (rhythm, intonation, facility, sound quality, etc.)</th>
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<td>Student's technical abilities do not meet minimal standards</td>
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<td>Student's technical abilities are among the highest possible in their peer group</td>
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<th>Musicianship (execution of style, expression, sightreading, etc.)</th>
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<td>Not necessary</td>
<td>Low</td>
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<td>Area of need</td>
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<td>Undergrad GPA 2.75 to 2.9</td>
<td>Undergrad GPA 2.9 to 3.0</td>
<td>Undergrad GPA 3.0 to 3.25</td>
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<th>Other (other skills or contributions student would make)</th>
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<td>No other skills exhibited via audition or application materials</td>
<td>Minimal other skills exhibited</td>
<td>Has some skills (specify):</td>
<td>Has strong skills (specify):</td>
<td>Has exceptional skills (specify):</td>
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<th>Potential for assistantship</th>
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<td>Student does not exhibit qualities of a GA and has no teaching or related experience (e.g., accompanying)</td>
<td>Student has minimal qualities of a GA and/or teaching or related experience (e.g., accompanying)</td>
<td>Student exhibits qualities of a GA and/or has some teaching or related experience (e.g., accompanying)</td>
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Faculty signature ________________________________________________

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