

## Instructions

Applicants must include three letters of recommendation in their application. Any additional letters beyond the first three received will not be reviewed or considered in your application.

**All letters must be received by the application deadline.** We are unable to accept incomplete applications with any late letters of recommendation. We strongly recommend that applicants contact their recommenders as soon as possible and plan to submit letters as early as possible to avoid any late submissions.

Letters of recommendation are intended to help application reviewers better understand your professional and academic readiness for the DNP program. Letters must be from a combination of professional and academic recommenders.

### Requirements for your letters of recommendation:

- You must have 2 letters of recommendation from a doctorally prepared professor or professional (DNP, MD, PhD) who can speak to your academic success
- Letter of recommendation from current workplace (MSN or higher)
- Recommendations should be current (written within 3 years of application)
- Family members or friends are not eligible to write letters of recommendation

Letters of Recommendation are collected through the Online Application. Applicants will provide email contact information for their recommenders in the application. For more information about the Letter of Recommendation process in the Online Application, please refer here: <https://grad.uci.edu/admissions/applying-to-uci/letters-of-recommendation.php>

If students have any questions about letters of recommendation in their application, they should contact the Graduate Admission team at [gradapplicant@uci.edu](mailto:gradapplicant@uci.edu). The School of Nursing Student Affairs Office cannot assist with technical issues related to the letter of recommendation system in the Online Application.