



Student Directed Seminar Faculty Recommendation Form

Deadline: Friday, May 30, 2025 at 11:59pm PST.

Please send your completed form to fasscurriculum.ubco@ubc.ca

A student has asked you for a Faculty Recommendation to help complete their application to coordinate a Student Directed Seminar (SDS). Before signing this form, please ensure you have been provided with information about the SDS program and the course that the student is proposing to coordinate.

We are most interested in your perspectives and insights about the student's:

- Interest in the field of the proposed seminar
- Ability to facilitate the learning of others
- Ability to create a democratic and peer-based learning environment
- Commitment to the principles and philosophy of the SDS program

If you do not think you can comment on these characteristics, please do not agree to provide a recommendation. Please answer the list of questions on page 2. All comments provided will be strictly confidential.

For more information about the SDS program, please visit the [Student Directed Seminars page](#).

Faculty Recommender Information

Name:

Email:

Department:

Phone Number:

Date:

Signature:

Student Coordinator Information

Coordinator Name:

Seminar Title:

Recommended Questions

1. How long have you known the student?
2. What has been your relationship to the student?
3. How would you describe the student's organizational and coordination skills? Do you have any examples you could share?
4. Student Coordinators do not teach material but rather facilitate a learning experience with their peers. How would you assess this student's ability to facilitate as a leader without positioning themselves as an expert or teacher? What have you observed that leads you to this assessment?
5. How would you assess this student's interest in, and commitment to, the proposed course material?
6. Please comment on the personal characteristics of this student (eg. responsibility, communication, leadership, etc.).
7. Do you have any additional comments regarding this student's ability to lead a Student Directed Seminar?