**Irish Clinical Academic Training (ICAT) Programme**

**Academic Reference Form**

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| To the Applicant: Please complete Section A below and send two copies of the form to your two referees with the following filenames: -  ***applicant firstname\_surname\_ICATref1***  *and*  ***applicant firstname\_surname\_ICATref2***  Two completed Academic Reference Forms must be received by ICAT by 1pm on Wednesday 17th September 2025. To the Referee: Thank you for providing us with a reference for this Applicant to Irish Clinical Academic Training (ICAT) Programme.  Please complete this form to indicate the Applicant’s academic suitability and potential to undertake postgraduate research as part of the Irish Clinical Academic Training Programme.  Please return the completed form by e-mail to [admin@ICATprogramme.org](mailto:admin@ICATprogramme.org). The completed form must reach ICAT by 1pm on 17th September 2025.  For more information about the ICAT Programme please see [www.icatprogramme.org](http://www.icatprogramme.org). |
| **Section A (to be completed by Applicant)** |
| Name: |
| Contact Address: |
| Email Address: |
| **Section B (to be completed by Referee)** |
| Title and Name of Referee: |
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| For how long and in what capacity do you know the applicant?  Please estimate in which of the following categories you would rank the candidate’s relative academic abilities in comparison with others at the same level of training. Please place a tick (√) in the relevant box.   |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | Top 2% | Top 5% | Top 10% | Top 25% | Other Specify…. |   What is the basis of this assessment? Official class ranking Personal assessment |

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| If the Applicant’s first language is not English, please comment on their proficiency in the language: |

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| Statement of the Applicant’s ability and potential by academic referee with recent knowledge of the Applicant’s work: *Where possible it would be helpful if referees commented on the Applicant’s intellectual ability, initiative, capacity for independent critical thinking, diligence, creativity in problem solving, inter-personal skills and ability to work as part of a team*. | |
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| Signed: *(e-signature or type your name)* | Date: |

Please return the completed form by email to [admin@ICATprogramme.org](mailto:admin@ICATprogramme.org) before 1pm on 17th September 2025.