



*Educational Specialist Degree  
Statement of Recognition and Support*

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CANDIDATE**

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Please complete (print or type) the top portion of this form before delivering it to the individual you have selected as a reference.

Name of Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ School Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Under the provision of the Family Education Rights Act of 1974, you may decide whether letters of references written at your request are to be held in confidence or whether they are to be available for your personal inspection. Check one of the following statements and place your signature in the space provided so that the reference will be advised of your choice.

\_\_\_\_\_ Confidential file – I grant permission for this letter of reference to be held in confidence by Brenau University.

\_\_\_\_\_ Open file – I retain the choice of having letters of reference available to me.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE REFERENCE PROVIDER**

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Brenau University offers the educational specialist degree designed for teachers who are instructional leaders, curriculum developers and exemplary teachers. The purpose of this degree is to improve education in the classroom and school. To that end, this degree caters to teachers who plan to stay in the classroom. As a part of this program, this student will be engaged in an applied research project in the school.

Please indicate your support and recognition of the applicant by completing this statement of support. Return the completed form to: **Office of Admissions**, Brenau University, 500 Washington SE, Gainesville, Georgia 30501.

Please comment on the characteristics of the applicant, giving examples where possible.

1. Communications skills (written and oral) \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Initiative \_\_\_\_\_

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Please complete the other side

3. Leadership \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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4. Teaching Skills \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. Innovations \_\_\_\_\_  
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6. Professional Commitment

A. Professional \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

B. Conferences/workshops \_\_\_\_\_  
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C. Work with colleagues \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

7. Additional Comments \_\_\_\_\_  
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Your signature indicates that you recommend the applicant for admission to the educational specialist degree program at Brenau University and feel this is in the best interest of the students in your school/system.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (Printed or Typed): \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_