Referee Form 1

Dear Referee,

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I am writing to ask you to complete the attached Confidential Questionnaire and return it to us.

The completed application form, and this Confidential Questionnaire is reviewed by the team in Maynooth University.

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Please return the questionnaire by the 26th of April 2019In the meantime if you should have any queries, do not hesitate to contact me.

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Referee Contact Number: ______________________________________________________

Name of Applicant: ____________________________________________________________

Applicant’s Address: ____________________________________________________________

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Signed: __________________________ Date: _______________________

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APPENDIX 1

Areas under-represented in third level by postal districts:

Dublin 1 (North Inner City)
Dublin 2 (South Inner City)
Dublin 7 (Cabra – Arran Quay)
Dublin 8 (Kilmainham – Inchicore)
Dublin 10 (Ballyfermot)
Dublin 11 (Finglas – Ballymun)
Dublin 12 (Crumlin – Kimmage)
Dublin 15 (Blanchardstown)
Dunlin 17 (Priorswood – Darndale)
Dublin 20 (Palmerstown)
Dublin 22 (Clondalkin – Neilstown)
Dublin 24 (Tallaght – Firhouse)

Counties with relatively low rates of admission:

Co Laois
Co Offaly
Co Wicklow
Co Monaghan
Co Dublin
Co Donegal (lowest)