



MAHARISHI
INTERNATIONAL
UNIVERSITY

Home of Consciousness-Based Education

ACCREDITATION: HIGHER LEARNING COMMISSION

Recommendation

Applicant	Rick Shaddock
Applying to	Maharishi International University
Recommender	David Leffler

Applicant Information

Applicant Name: Rick Shaddock

The Director of Admissions would appreciate your evaluation of this applicant. Please answer as specifically as possible, since it will help greatly in evaluating the applicant for admission to Maharishi International University. When you have completed this form, please click the submit button at the bottom of this page.

Recommender Information

First Name

David

Last Name

Leffler

School, organization or business

Center for Advanced Military Science

Position or title

Executive Director

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*** Academic or Professional Recommendation ***

How long have you known the applicant?

20 years

Has the applicant been an employee who worked for you within the past 2 years?

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

Has the applicant been your student within the past 2 years?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Please describe your working or academic relationship to ensure this recommendation meets our requirements.

Dr Rick Shaddock, a U.S. Marine veteran, has been a dedicated staff member of the Center for Advanced Military Science (CAMS) for over a decade. His expertise in Internet technology has been invaluable to our organization, assisting with website management

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How would you rate the applicant among students you have taught (or employees who have worked for you) in terms of competence?

- ☒ Top 1%
☐ Top 5%
☐ Top 10%
☐ Top 25%
☐ Top 50%
☐ Lower 50%

Please comment on the applicant's intellectual ability, creativity, initiative, dependability, and social maturity.

determination. His ability to memorize Pi to 108 places and his early recognition of Bitcoin's potential exemplify his forward-thinking nature. Moreover, his dedication to Transcendental Meditation (TM) underscores his commitment to personal well-being, which he demonstrates through his passion for strengthening the Fairfield and MIU communities.

Here is the full text of the box above:

“Beyond his technical skills, Dr. Shaddock possesses remarkable intellectual curiosity and determination. His ability to memorize Pi to 108 places and his early recognition of Bitcoin’s potential exemplify his forward-thinking nature. Moreover, his dedication to Transcendental Meditation (TM) underscores his commitment to personal well-being, which he demonstrates through his passion for strengthening the Fairfield and MIU communities.”

If applicable, please mention any characteristics of the applicant that might interfere with his/her success in pursuing further academic studies

The renowned General George S. Patton once said, "If everybody is thinking alike, then somebody isn't thinking." Dr. Shaddock embodies this principle through his unique approach to problem-solving, which has made him an indispensable asset to CAMS. This same innovative mindset will undoubtedly serve him well in the MIU doctoral program.

Please rate the applicant on the characteristics below:

Enthusiasm and desire to learn

- ☒ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Average
- ☐ Below Average
- ☐ Unable to Evaluate

Ability to handle academic work

- ☒ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Average
- ☐ Below Average
- ☐ Unable to Evaluate

Writing ability

- ☒ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Average
- ☐ Below Average
- ☐ Unable to Evaluate

Speaking Ability

- ☒ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Average

Dependability

- ☒ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Average
- ☐ Below Average
- ☐ Unable to Evaluate

Perseverance in working toward personal goals

- ☒ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Average
- ☐ Below Average
- ☐ Unable to Evaluate

Efficiency and productivity

- ☒ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Average
- ☐ Below Average
- ☐ Unable to Evaluate

Sincerity in interactions with others

- ☒ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Average
- ☐ Below Average
- ☐ Unable to Evaluate

Emotional Maturity

- ☒ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Average
- ☐ Below Average

Ability to adapt to new situations

- ☒ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Average
- ☐ Below Average
- ☐ Unable to Evaluate

Regarding this applicant to Maharishi International University

- ☒ Recommend
- ☐ Recommend with reservations
- ☐ Do not recommend

Further comments:

I wholeheartedly support Dr. Shaddock's endeavors and am confident in his ability to thrive in the MIU doctoral program. His contributions, both intellectual and personal, will be of great benefit to those around him.

Submission

In place of your signature, please type your full legal name:

David Robert Leffler