## **UMassAmherst**

## Office of National Scholarship Advisement

## Scholarship Nomination Permission Form & Waiver

- 1) I understand that it is an honor and privilege to apply for the UMass Amherst/ONSA's nomination or review for external scholarships. By my signature below, I acknowledge that both my personal reputation and the reputation of the University can benefit from the manner in which I represent myself and UMass Amherst. I will do everything within my control to safeguard my good name and that of the University throughout this award competition.
- 2) I hereby waive my right to view faculty and institutional letters of recommendation or endorsement that are written for the purpose of this award competition.
- 3) I attest that I will not contribute to drafting text to be included in a recommendation or reference submitted in support of the application.
- 4) As required under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, commonly known as FERPA, I hereby give permission for my grade point average (GPA), transcripts, and individual course grades to be used and discussed as a part of faculty and institutional letters of recommendation and endorsements and the applications for this award competition.
- 5) I grant permission for the UMass Amherst/ONSA to use my biographical information to publicize my nomination and/or receipt of this scholarship or fellowship.
- 6) I attest that all of the information I include in my application for this award, including listings of activities and awards, research undertaken or planned, and personal statements or other essays, are my own work and are accurate and honest to the best of my knowledge.
- 7) I certify that I will disclose any academic integrity findings of responsibility or pending investigations or behavioral violations of the Student Code to the Director of the Office of National Scholarship Advisement (ONSA) prior to seeking nomination for any award. Further, I hereby give permission to the Dean of Students Office to release information to the ONSA Director from official University records pertaining to academic integrity and conduct offense violations, and to provide contextual information as to the severity of these offenses. The purpose of this release is for UMass Amherst/ONSA to consider my application for the nomination of a merit-based scholarship or fellowship. I have a right to receive a copy of any written information upon request; and, this consent shall remain in effect until the end of the current academic year or until revoked by me in writing, delivered to the ONSA Director, but that any such revocation shall not affect disclosures made prior to the individual's receipt of my written revocation.

I understand that by signing this authorization, I am waiving my rights of non-disclosure of the above marked records. Additionally, I certify that this waiver has been signed voluntarily by me.

Student signature	Date	
Student name (print legibly)		