**M.A. Studies Recommendation Form**

Dear Recommender,

As an integral part of the application process to the Master’s program in the Department of Communication Sciences & Disorders at the University of Haifa, we turn to you – researchers and professionals – in order to obtain opinions regarding the applicant to our program. We are especially concerned with the research abilities of our future students, and shall therefore be most grateful if, when writing the recommendation, you would refer (as best as you can) to these abilities, as expressed during your acquaintance with the candidate.

We sincerely appreciate your assistance,

Department of Communication Sciences & Disorders Secretariat

**Details of Applicant**

Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

ID No. of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Details of Recommender**

Name of recommender: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Academic/ professional title:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Place of work:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Email address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ additional phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

In what context did you get to know him/her ?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**How well do you know the candidate ? (please circle)**

Very well Well Medium acquaintance Poorly very poorly

Below are several scales for evaluating characteristics and specific skills of the candidate. Each characteristic can be ranked by five main categories. Please circle one of the two grades appearing below the chosen category, in order to rank the candidate as high or low within that category. In addition, please state your level of assurance of the candidate’s ranking for each characteristic or skill.

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| **Confidence in Evaluation** | | | | **Evaluation** | | | | |  |
| **No Basis for Evaluation** | **Low** | **Medium** | **High** | **Excellent** | **Very Good** | **Good** | **Average** | **Below Average** |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 10 9 | 8 7 | 6 5 | 4 3 | 2 1 | Analysis & Integration Skill |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 10 9 | 8 7 | 6 5 | 4 3 | 2 1 | Systematic Scientific thinking |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 10 9 | 8 7 | 6 5 | 4 3 | 2 1 | Ability to plan research & implement it |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 10 9 | 8 7 | 6 5 | 4 3 | 2 1 | Originality |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 10 9 | 8 7 | 6 5 | 4 3 | 2 1 | Expression Ability |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 10 9 | 8 7 | 6 5 | 4 3 | 2 1 | Motivation |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 10 9 | 8 7 | 6 5 | 4 3 | 2 1 | Emotional Maturity & Stability |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 10 9 | 8 7 | 6 5 | 4 3 | 2 1 | Empathy & Sensitivity to others |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 10 9 | 8 7 | 6 5 | 4 3 | 2 1 | Openness to Criticism & to the point of view of others |
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Our department offers two MA programs, one with a Master’s thesis and one with a smaller-scale project. What is your evaluation regarding acceptance of the candidate to a thesis-based program and to a project based program of studies?

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| **Confidence in Evaluation** | | | | **Evaluation** | | | | |  |
| **No Basis for Evaluation** | **Low** | **Medium** | **High** | **Definitely accept** | **Accept with high priority** | **Accept** | **Accept if no better candidates** | **Don’t accept** |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 10 9 | 8 7 | 6 5 | 4 3 | 2 1 | Thesis-based program |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 10 9 | 8 7 | 6 5 | 4 3 | 2 1 | Project-based program |

We would appreciate it if you could please detail additional points which will assist us in evaluating the level of suitability (or lack of suitability) of the candidate to M.A. studies.

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Thank you for your cooperation,

Please send the recommendations by **16 July 2023** directly to:

Department of Communication Disorders Secretariat

University of Haifa 3498838 Mount Carmel

Haifa, Israel

Or via Email to: [ogozlan@univ.haifa.ac.il](mailto:ogozlan@univ.haifa.ac.il)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Signature:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_