CONSERVATORY EXCHANGE PROGRAM
LANGUAGE RECOMMENDATION FORM FOR EXCHANGE

TO BE COMPLETED BY A PROFESSIONAL LANGUAGE INSTRUCTOR.

Student name

Program(s) for which student is applying:
- Staatliche Hochschule für Musik Freiburg
- Sibelius Akatemia
- Conservatoire National Supérieur de Musique et de Danse de Paris

Field of Proposed Study__________________ Language being evaluated__________________

Number of years language was studied in:
High School ____________ College___________

Faculty recommendation by:

Position/title:

This student is applying to study abroad through Eastman’s Conservatory Exchange Program. Please complete the following and then describe his/her preparation more fully. Your recommendation is confidential. Return by December 1st to: Academicaffairs@esm.rochester.edu

1. Please rank the applicant’s skills in the following areas:

AURAL COMPREHENSION:
- None
- Limited to slow, uncomplicated sentences
- Understands simple conversation
- Understands conversation on simple academic topics
- Understands sophisticated discussion of academic topics

SPEAKING ABILITY:
- None
- Can only frame structurally simple, short utterances
- Uses basic grammatical structure, speaking with limited vocabulary – adequate to handle conversational subjects
- Uses structural patterns, but not with consistent accuracy
- Has control over structural patterns; can handle a wide range of conversational situations
READING ABILITY:

- None
- Limited to simple vocabulary and sentence structure
- Understands conventional topics and non-technical subjects
- Understands materials whose content contains idioms and specialized terminology
- Understands sophisticated materials including field of proposed study literature

WRITING ABILITY:

- None
- Writes simple sentences on conventional topics, with some errors in spelling and structure
- Writes on academic topics with few errors in structure and spelling
- Writes with idiomatic ease of expression and feeling for the style of the language

2. Please make the appropriate selection to indicate your general opinion of this applicant’s ability in the foreign language.

- Will require considerable training before necessary competence can be attained.
- Should be able to manage adequately after some additional formal language training
- Should be able to manage adequately after a short period of adjustment abroad
- Should have no difficulty

3. Is the applicant’s present language competence adequate to carry out the proposed study?

    _____ No          _____ Yes

Please provide additional information regarding your contact with the applicant, your assessment methods, and your opinion of the applicant’s preparation to study abroad.