



Office for International Study

### Smith College JYA Program Language Proficiency Evaluation

**TO THE STUDENT:** Please fill out the top portion of this form and request that your most recent language instructor complete the lower portion. **Please pick up the completed evaluation form from the faculty member in a signed, sealed envelope and submit with your application packet.**

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Program \_\_\_\_\_ Major \_\_\_\_\_

Course(s) with this instructor:

Course _____	Grade _____	Semester/year _____
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**TO THE FACULTY MEMBER:** The above-named student is applying for admission to a Smith College JYA Programs. The Selection Committee would appreciate your evaluation of the candidate and her current language skills. **Please return your completed evaluation form and letter to the student in a signed, sealed envelope.**

**AURAL COMPREHENSION:**

- Understands simple conversation for normal daily needs
- Understands group discussions of non-technical topics
- Understands conversation on simple academic topics
- Understands sophisticated discussion of academic topics

**SPEAKING ABILITY:**

- Uses basic grammatical structure, speaking with limited vocabulary
- Uses structural patterns, but not with consistent accuracy. Adequate to handle conversational subjects
- Has control over structural patterns; can handle a wide range of conversational situations
- Can deliver oral reports from notes or prepared texts and engage in group discussion in target language

**READING ABILITY:**

- Can read material on conventional topics and non-technical subjects
- Can read elementary specialized material at a slow rate of speed
- Can read general material whose content contains idioms and specialized terminology with a dictionary
- Can read sophisticated materials in major field of study

**WRITING ABILITY:**

- Writes simple sentences on conventional topics, with some errors in spelling and structure
- Writes on elementary academic topics with errors requiring considerable assistance from native speaker
- 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

**Please comment** about this student's suitability for a rigorous and challenging study abroad experience on the back of this form or a separate sheet.

Faculty member's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Academic institution and contact information, if other than Smith College: