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To Whom It May Concern

Ms. Sabine Baumann has asked me for a reference, and it is a pleasure to comply. I have known Ms. Baumann since 1994, when she took her first seminar with me, on "Global Grammar: English around the World". She then took another seminar, "Texts in Translation", in 1995. In both of these seminars she wrote excellent term papers. Ms. Baumann also did her oral exams with me a few weeks ago, and again made a very impressive show, having chosen topics as diverse as Cognitive Linguistics and Diachronic Semantics. The oral also involves a four-hour written exam (the *Klausur*) in one of these subject areas; Ms. Baumann had chosen Cognitive Linguistics, and I can truly say that her overview was probably the best Klausur paper I have ever received.

Ms. Baumann's achievement is all the more remarkable as she did not do her Master's thesis (*Lizentiatsarbeit*) in linguistics but in literature. I can wholeheartedly support her application to study at a British University.

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