



Dear Members of the Selection Committee,

It is my pleasure to write in support of Ms. Sara Molaie's application for the Elahé Omidyar Mir-Djalali Graduate Scholarship for 2024-2025.

I have known Sara and her work since 2022, when I had the opportunity to work closely with her in our independent study course on Literary Historiography. This experience allowed me to observe her strengths as a scholar and to understand her thinking as she explored potential topics for her PhD dissertation.

During our weekly meetings to discuss the assigned readings, I found Sara to be a perceptive reader and a curious interlocutor. She was unafraid to push boundaries and expand her intellectual horizons. I was particularly impressed by her openness to new ideas and her sincere struggle with the challenging theoretical texts that were part of our study. With the right training and focused attention on sharpening her analytical skills, I have no doubt that she will be one of our most productive graduate students.

I highly recommend Sara for the Elahé Omidyar Mir-Djalali Graduate Scholarship for 2024-2025 and wish her all the best in her exciting graduate work on women's literacy and selfhood.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to me.

Sincerely,

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