

## **My recommendation letters**



To whom it may concern,

I am pleased to offer this letter of reference for Mrs. Ioana Mirela. Mrs. Mirela is currently in pursuit of her Educational Support certificate. I have had the pleasure of knowing Mrs. Mirela for over two years and in all my dealing with Mrs. Mirela, she presents herself as a true professional, dependable and a willingness to learn and grow. She is particularly focused on the positive-growth and development of all children.

Besides being a very personable and accommodating individual, Mrs. Mirela is extremely child-centered. There have been numerous times where I have observed Mrs. Mirela, through her volunteering opportunities, both within the classroom and outside of the class utilizing various high yields instructional strategies in a manner that has students enjoy learning. She effectively collaborates with all members of the teaching staff. Through her many volunteering opportunities, it is evident that Mrs. Mirela pays attention to details and demonstrates excellent planning with clear goals and objectives.

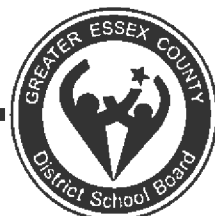
Mrs. Mirela is always punctual and cheerful. She demonstrates professional and ethical behaviours which included implementing suggestions. It is a pleasure having Mrs. Mirela as a volunteer at Eastwood.

It is with a great deal of confidence that I recommend Mrs. Mirela for a position with your respective organization.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "N. Arundine".

N. Arundine  
Principal,  
Eastwood Public School





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**AL-HIJRA ACADEMY**  
*For Success, Nothing Less*

Director General  
Abdullah Hammoud  
Principal: Waheeda Khan  
Secretary: Jalila Joyce

Date: January 15 2020

To whom it may concern:

It is my pleasure to write this recommendation for Ms. Ioana Mirela, as a potential employment candidate at your organization. Ms. Mirela has had her Education Support Certificate placement and has also volunteered at Al-Hijra Academy during her educational program. As a principal at Al-Hijra Academy I have had an opportunity to observe her during her placement and as a volunteer. I found her an intelligent mature professional who shows great commitment to children's growth, development and learning.

Ms. Ioana Mirela is a friendly, reliable, and trustworthy individual; she is an ethical professional who works well with the students and the school team. She always willingly shares her own experiences and background knowledge. Her dedication to students' emotional and developmental wellbeing, her genuine concern and respect for the children, and her ability to be a "team player" are some of her many qualities which make her an asset to an educational program and the learning community.

It is with great confidence that I write this letter of recommendation to facilitate her desire to continue her professional pursuit to achieve her goal, her desire to find a suitable professional employment opportunity.

I wish Ms. Mirela well and encourage to continue her pursuit of professional goals in the field of education.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 519-966-8276 or email me at [principal@alhijraacademy.com](mailto:principal@alhijraacademy.com)

Sincerely

*Waheeda Khan*

Waheeda Khan

Principal

Al-Hijra Academy

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August 26, 2021

To Whom It May Concern:

Iona Iota was in my employ as a Special Needs assistant for approximately six months. During this time, she was a dependable employee who never missed a shift.

Iona was an asset to our team. She was always cheerful and willing to assist in any task. She was motivated and interested in learning about her role in the organization. Her professional and caring nature was well suited to the job, making her role as a caregiver highly successful.

She has been a pleasure to work with. I can highly recommend her for any opportunities that may come her way.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Durocher". The signature is fluid and elegant, with a large initial "M" and a long, sweeping underline.

Mary Durocher

To Whom It May Concern,

I have worked with Ioana and she is a joy to work with. She always comes in with a smile on her face and a good word for everyone. She works well with all the staff and is very dedicated to her job. Every day she comes prepared with well planned projects and ideas for the children.

Ioana works well with the staff and children. She is professional and dedicated to her work and would be an asset wherever she goes.

If you need any further information [please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you!  
Sincerely  
Donna Fox  
Supervisor  
St. Joseph Latchkey  
(519) – 919 - 7649

To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter of recommendation for Ioana Mirela Iota. I am an Educational assistant with the Windsor Essex County Catholic District School Board. Iona was assigned to St. Angela Elementary School as a field placement for her enrolment in the Educational Assistant program at St. Clair College of Applied Arts and Technology. I was her supervisor in this placement and it was my pleasure to work with her during this time.

Iona has an excellent work ethic and is very driven to succeed . She was always prepared for work and would go above and beyond expectations on a daily basis. Iona has a passion for the service of helping people which she demonstrated with empathy and compassion for those that were fortunate to have her support in the school setting. She has excellent communication and teamwork skills. I was so thankful to have Iona placed at St. Angela and she will be dearly missed by myself, students and other staff members,

It is my belief through her demonstrated skills and actions that Iona would be an asset to any employer who is lucky enough to welcome her aboard.

I wish her great success in her future endeavors and it is beyond any doubt that she will be an excellent employee and team member.

Thank you for taking the time to review this letter. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me for more information.

Sincerely,

Stephen Taylor

[steve\\_taylor@wecdsb.on.ca](mailto:steve_taylor@wecdsb.on.ca)

226-345-8504



To Whom It May Concern

I have been asked to provide a letter of reference for Ioana Mirela Iota, an energetic and very dedicated young Educational Support student who I have had the honour of teaching the last few months. I had the pleasure of getting to know Ioana in my capacity as Professor and Instructor at St. Clair College. It has been rewarding to witness her personal and professional growth during this time. Ioana possesses the qualifications, experience and work ethic that would make her a most valuable addition to any Board's staff, and ultimately all of the students and communities that will be impacted by her exemplary skills.

To say that she is a positive and spirited student would be an understatement. It was obvious quite early in my interactions with Ioana, that she is undoubtedly a leader in and out of the classroom. My experience with Ioana has been incredibly positive. She works tirelessly, is self-motivated, confident, a "team player", and someone who I would immediately hire in my past roles as a principal and Executive Superintendent of Human Resources.

Please do not hesitate to contact me, should you require any further information with regard to this very dedicated and driven professional. She is the type of young leader that WE as a community should support. Definitely an impactful person today and tomorrow!

Warmest Regards,

*Jamie Bumbacco*

Jamie Bumbacco

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Words about me – Why I NEED FINACIAL AID – unfortunately because of my health problems that do not let me hold a job and keeps me going to doctors. Even that in Canada he health care is through ohip, there are a lot of medications and interventions that I much do out of the pocket.



Good evening!

My name is Ioana Iota, and I just got my official transcripts, about to obtain my early childhood educator diploma. I have had and still have a lot of challenges because of my permanent disability. I am a student with many health problems, even though I really want to study because I want to imagine that one day, I will be better and be able to get a job as an educator. I am going to write some words about me as to see why I need financial help, which is mostly because of my health which requires me staying home and buying medications over medications and not being able to get a job. 😞

I have fibromyalgia even though I am very young, I also have ankylosing spondylitis which is inflammation at my sacroiliac joints and this both make walking very hard for me. I have to do 10 injections every single week to be able to stay at the computer and study and walk in my best capabilities. At the same time, I also have problems with my bladder for 20 years and nobody knows why. I have to be at the hospital every 2 or 3 months to repeat an injection with botox in my bladder so I do not urinate so much.

I got at the point where even thought that I am going to use diaper even that I am 34 years old, and this is happening since I was around 12. I also have strong migraine and eye swelling and pain. I have seen more than 100 specialists in the last 5 years of my life, and they do not seem to figure out what is happening with me therefore I was diagnosed with fibromyalgia. I am saying all of this so you can get an idea about my health challenges, but I will never ever give up because studying is all that I have in my life, is all the keeps me going, is the light at the end of the tunnel. When I study and I get great marks, as I only got an A, it makes me smile and I forget for a second about all my problems. I always try to look at the good parts even if it is really hard, but I succeed otherwise I would not write this now. 😊

This good part is the fact that every day I receive a call from a doctor that wants to see me and try something else to help with managing my pain. I have been having walking problems for 5 years but was diagnosed just 3 years ago with ankylosing spondylitis by my rheumatologist Doctor. I could not be more thankful to God for giving me the opportunity to have such a wonderful Doctor.

Despite all my pain, I have applied, and I got in the Bachelor of Education at the University of Windsor, and I am going to start this fall of 2023. I believe that my love for children and my intelligence will help me to be a wonderful teacher upon graduation. I know that there are a lot of people that are healthy, and life might be easier for them, but I am saying myself every single day that I am not dead and as long as my I breath I will keep going because I know that I can make a difference in children's life, and this make my heart be full of joy.

I truly hope that Canada is a land of opportunities and that after graduation I will be able to find a job that allows people with disability to work and be a teacher. I adore children and I will never have one of my own, but I hope and pray to have many by working with them.

This is my way of overcoming my problems, by studying and never lose hope and faith in God, as well as realizing that I am not alone through my interactions with other people with a lot of other health problems too. Recently, 3 months ago I was also diagnosed with tachycardia – heart problem. It is very hard for me that besides having problems with my movement, as I cannot walk more than 10 minutes without having to seat to rest because of my legs pain, as described above, I also have to worry about my heart now.

Besides keeping studying and trying to improve myself in knowledge all the time, I have also done volunteer work in schools as well as volunteered after my placement time was done and I was able to make myself pleasant and obtain letters of recommendation. I am attaching them for your kind consideration. I do this volunteer work because I believe that besides being the best way to gain work experience, it is also a wonderful way of getting to know people and making myself useful by helping. I believe that we all need to do things that give us the sense of being useful, especially when there is so much pain and ways to interact with people and get out of the house are not so many out there. The moment I was hugged by a little girl after my placement and being asked why I am leaving, was the moment that made me realize how much I love being alive, even if I am sick, and how much children love me and that I can be useful, I can make a change. This is why I keep going and I will always will as long as God wants me to. 😊

Thank you so much!

Respectfully!

Ioana

MY disability diagnosis

## Dr. Sarah Cribby

MD, FRCPC Rheumatology

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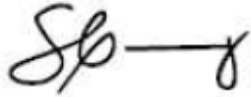
2023-May-29

**Patient:** Ioana-Mirela Iota  
**HCN:** 6767 182 329VP  
**Birthdate:** 1988-Nov-04

To Whom It May Concern:

Ioana is followed in the rheumatology clinic for a diagnosis of ankylosing spondylitis. She is treated with Rinvoq 15 mg daily.

Sincerely,



Sarah Cribby, MD, FRCPC

**Electronically Reviewed to Expedite Delivery**

2464 Howard Avenue, Suite 106, Windsor, ON N8X 3V6  
Tel: 226 782 PAIN (7246) Fax: 226 783 CARE (2273)



June 23, 2021

Dr. James. Pradko  
500 Wyandotte Street East,  
Windsor, Ontario  
Fax #: (519)-254-0609

#### CONSULTATION REPORT

Date of Consultation: 06/23/2021  
Patient's Name: Iota, Ioana Mirela  
Date of Birth: 11/04/1988

Dear Dr., Pradko:

Thank you very kindly for your referral of this 32-year-old pleasant lady with history of Fibromyalgia.

#### **HISTORY OF PRESENTING COMPLAINT/S**

She had onset of generalized body pain while she was in high school. She denies any specific injury. She currently reports of pain in all her joints and muscles, increased in her left shoulder, lower back, right foot, associated with numbness and tingling sensation all over. The nature of her pain is dull, achy, and constant. On a numerical rating scale, she reports her pain at 9-10/10. Her pain is increased with prolonged posture and is alleviated by rest temporarily.

Fibromyalgia rapid screening tool is 5/6, suggestive of a diagnosis of fibromyalgia. The pain is primarily nociceptive, and it is currently a combination of nociceptive and neuropathic pain with a DN4 of 9/10.

She reports of headache associated with nausea, vomiting, and phonophobia. There are no reported visual changes or aura. There is no history of syncope, seizure, or head injury. There is no fever, chills, or signs of systemic infection. There is no history of hypertension. There are no indications of medication overuse headaches.

#### **CONSULTATIONS**

Urologist.  
Rheumatologist.  
Neurology—Dr Desai

#### **Other Healthcare Professionals**

Physiotherapy, chiro, and massage did not help her.

#### **PAST MEDICAL HISTORY**

##### **Medical:**

Chronic pain syndrome with negative diagnostic test.

Iota, Ioana Mirela

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- She may also benefit from the IV Vitamin Infusion and we can arrange a consult with our Naturopath for this treatment.

#### 4. PATIENT CENTRIC RECOMMENDATIONS:

-RED FLAGS such as bowel or bladder dysfunction, saddle anesthesia, drop foot, loss of dexterity, intractable limb pain, numbness and/ or weakness was reviewed with your patient. In the event of such symptomatology, she has been advised on going to the ER urgently for a review.

- I recommend your patient initiate a weight loss program and increase physical conditioning with an emphasis on core strength. I have discussed the role of AquaRx, Yoga, and TaiChi with your patient. To assist her with this we may elect to refer her to Physiotherapy for assessment and care. I also reviewed the benefit of the Actipatch and DTR. The use of a foam roller and muscle roller may also be of use.

Once your patient is on a stable treatment regime, she will be repatriated back to you for ongoing prescriptions. If at any time she is on a narcotic analgesic, it is recommended that you follow the New Opioid prescribing guidelines on the CPSO website. I will remain available for counselling and further recommendations as needed.

Thank you for involving us in your patients care. Please feel free to contact me at the clinic at any time, if required.

With Kind Regards,



Dr. Niren Naidoo,  
MBCChB, MD, Dip.Obst., D.A., Canadian Academy of Pain Management [Interventional Pain],  
Emergency Physician [Windsor Regional Hospital, Ouellette Campus]



The cardiologist also diagnosed me with tachycardia and I have a proof but I would need to get it from the Doctor upon request.

Despite all my health problems, I keep fitting and I just graduate (2 months ago) the Early Childhood education program with a 3.97 GPA

**FANSHAWE**

Office of the Registrar

P.O. Box 7005, London, Ontario, N5Y 5R6

*Fiorella Sabadin***Fiorella Sabadin  
Registrar**

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Ioana Mirela Iota  
306-1176 Ouellette Ave  
Windsor ON N9A 6S9  
CANADA

Date Printed: June 22, 2023

Student ID: 1133347

ESIS\_NSN:

## PROGRAM SUMMARY

Program: ECE7 Early Childhood Education  
Status: Active

## TRANSFER CREDIT

ECED-1053	Promoting Pro-Social Behaviour	EC
ECED-1075	Child Development: 0-3 Years	EC
ECED-1076	Curriculum & Pedagogy: 0-3 Years	EC
ECED-3038	Child Development: 3-6 Years	EC
FLDP-1022	Field Practicum 0-3 Years	EC
GEED-1000	General Education	EC
ECED-3003	Educational Perspectives	EC

Course	Course Title	Grade	Credit Units	Grade Points
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## 2022 Fall

ECED-1005	Health Safety & Nutrition in ECE	A	2.0	8.0
ECED-1076	Curriculum & Pedagogy: 0-3 Years	W		
ECED-1084	Foundations of ECE	A	3.0	12.0

Term GPA:	4.00	Term Totals:	8.0	20.0
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Term Academic Standing: In Good Standing  
Program: ECE7 - Early Childhood Education

## 2023 Winter

ECED-3040	Professionalism, Ethics & Advocacy	A	3.0	12.0
ECED-3042	Curriculum & Pedagogy: 3-6 Years	A	3.0	12.0
ECED-3044	Best Practices: Reflective Practitioner	A+	3.0	12.6
SOCI-3003	Canadian Families Change & Diversity	A	3.0	12.0

Term GPA:	4.05	Term Totals:	12.0	48.6
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Term Academic Standing: In Good Standing  
Program: ECE7 - Early Childhood Education  
Cumulative Program GPA: 3.98

## 2023 Summer

ECED-3041	Understanding Child Abuse & Neglect	B+	3.0	10.5
FLDP-1038	Field Seminar	A+	2.0	8.4
FLDP-3023	Field Practicum 3-6 Years	P		
FLDP-3024	Field Practicum 0-12 Years	P		

Term GPA:	3.78	Term Totals:	13.8	18.9
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\*\*\*\*\* End of Transcript \*\*\*\*\*



I have also graduated from the Educational Support program, where I was able to get my above shown recommendation letters. I have tried to work with children with special needs and help as much as possible even though I am myself with special needs.

# ST. CLAIR COLLEGE

OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY



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THE AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS AND  
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## ONTARIO COLLEGE DIPLOMA

HAS BEEN AWARDED TO

**Ioana Mirela Iota**

IN RECOGNITION OF HAVING SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED  
THE PRESCRIBED

TWO YEAR PROGRAM OF STUDY

**Educational Support**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF THE SEAL OF THE COLLEGE HAS BEEN AFFIXED HERETO AT WINDSOR, ONTARIO,  
THIS 9TH DAY OF JUNE, TWO THOUSAND TWENTY.



*Rosina Trana*

PRESIDENT

*M. Silvaggi*

REGISTRAR

I am also a teacher international educated, this is how I was able to get into the Bachelor of Education at the University of Windsor. 5 years, Bachelor + Master with a 3.98 GPA

You will not be able to see on my WES equivalated diplomas written – EDUCATION – because there is also a certificate that I got during the 5 years of education and I did not assessed that one, but I did it.



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## Educational Credential Assessment for Citizenship and Immigration Canada

**Name:** PISOI (IOTA), Ioana Mirela  
**Date of Birth:** November 04, 1988

**Date :** May 09, 2017  
**ECA#:** 3241682IMM  
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### CANADIAN EQUIVALENCY SUMMARY

Master's degree

### CREDENTIAL ANALYSIS

- Credential Authentication:** *Transcripts were verified by the institution*  
**Country:** Romania  
**Credential:** Diploma de Licenta  
(Licentiate Diploma)  
**Year:** 2011  
**Awarded by:** University of Craiova  
**Status:** Recognized Institution  
**Major/Specialization:** Romanian and English Language and Literature  
**Canadian Equivalency:** Bachelor's degree (three years)



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2. **Credential Authentication:** *Transcripts were verified by the institution*  
**Country:** Romania  
**Credential:** Diploma de Master  
(Master's Diploma)  
**Year:** 2013  
**Awarded by:** University of Craiova  
**Status:** Recognized Institution  
**Major/Specialization:** Linguistics and English Language  
**Canadian Equivalency:** Master's degree



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**ASSESSMENT REPORT**

**Name:** Ioana Mirela Iota (Pişoi)

**File No:** 22010442

**Birth Date:** November 4, 1988

**Credential:** *Bacalaureat*  
**Field of Study:** Social Sciences  
**Issued By:** *Ministerul Educației Cercetării și Tineretului*  
**Country:** Romania  
**Date:** 2008  
**Documents:** *Diplomă<sup>3</sup>*  
*Foaie Matricolă<sup>3</sup>*

**Comparable Level in Ontario:** Ontario Secondary School Diploma

**Study Completed at a Level Comparable to the Grade 12**

**Level**

**Credit\***

**Grade**

'U' Level

Romanian Language and Literature

A

French Language

A

Mathematics

A

History

A

Geography

A

Philosophy

A

Informatics

A

Social Studies

A

Mass Media

A

'O' Level

English Language

A

Religion

A

Arts

A

Physical Education

A

Examinations

Romanian Language and Literature - oral

A

Romanian Language and Literature - written

A

English Language - oral

A

Romanian History

A

Sociology

A

Physical Education

A

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(Translation prepared by Mihaela Patru, Romania)

**Date:** February 24, 2022

S. Hibbitt

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I hope that I did not get you bored with all my information, and I thank you very much for taking the time to read it and to consider me for the scholarship. I truly am in financial need. I am in bad health and if I keep going with my studies it is because I love children and I want to do what I know best even if I have days when I can barely stand on my feet, but I will be 35 soon and I need to earn my salary.

Thank you!  
Have a blessed day!  
With all the respect!  
Iota