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LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING (LOU)

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Expectations Regarding Research Supervision: You are to

- (1) know that at the end of the PhD studies you will be able to (a) conduct research independently (b) present your research results ethically (c) defend your research results (d) master the subject you are working on (e) extend the body of knowledge through research (f) model and analyze problems on a conceptual level (g) analyze requirements, produce specs, design solutions, validate and document results (h) understand and apply R&D methodologies (i) disseminate research results and follow recent scientific developments
- (2) follow the **code of ethics** of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)
- (3) contribute to WINS Lab (a) participate in WINS Lab group meetings/activities, (b) interact and cooperate with other members (c) post messags to WINS Lab web pages and blogs (d) take part in maintenance of the infrastructure (servers, devices, Z019)
- (4) take initiative in learning material that is needed in conducting your research
- (5) keep up with developments by attending seminars/lectures and by reading the literature
- (6) seek to attend conferences and workshops that are closely related to your research
- (7) participate in peer evaluation (e.g., conference, journal paper reviews)
- (8) notice the following regarding your studies
 - (a) Graduation req. for PhD: at least 2 SCI journal papers (at least one of them in SCI-A) accepted.
 - (b) Green light condition for PhD is the acceptance email for the second journal.
 - (c) Graduation req. for MSc: at least 1 conference paper submitted.
 - (d) Green light condition for MSc is the notification email of the conference submission.
 - (e) You must take the qualifying exam in the area of "networked systems"
 - (f) Regular meetings are required: PhD: 1 meeting per two weeks, MSc: 1 meeting per week
 - (g) You have the **right to skip 2 meetings** per semester. If you **miss more than 2 meetings** without any acceptable excuses, you will get a **failing grade** at the end of semester.
 - (h) write up your research results using LATEX (WINS Lab styles) and to present them in a timely way
- (i) send the written report in an **email 2 days before the meeting** and have them checked by Turnitin(9) comply with the following timing (PhD)
 - (a) Finish the coursework in 2 (at most 3) semesters
 - (b) Pass the qualifying exam, core and breadth part in 1 (at most 2) semester right after the coursework, a 6-page conference paper must be accepted for publication.
 - (c) Follow the evolution process in 2 semesters for 2-3 years. One semester for conference paper, and one semester for major extension of the conference paper to be submitted to a journal. There will be thesis progress committee (TİK) meeting at the end of every semester after the qual. You must submit a written report to the TİK members **at least fifteen days prior** to their meeting date.
 - (d) Finish the PhD studies in at most 10 semesters.
- (10) note the warning signs of a failing grade in a semester: (a) Procrastination and postponing supervision meetings (b) Making excuses for unfinished work (c) Focusing on next stages rather than the current task (d) Uncertainty or frequent changes in research topic or method (e) Spending time on things other than graduate work (f) Resisting advice or criticism (g) Blaming others for shortcomings (h) Failing to integrate earlier work.

Supervisor, Dr. Ertan Onur

Student,

Date

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