

#### Application Related Information

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| Application:              | Application Incomplete | Iteration Name: | 202410_GR_G |
| Grad Program Applying To: | MES                    | Program Name:   | MES         |

#### Recommendation Information

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| Recommended By:                      | Isaac Larsen  | Recommenders Title:           |   |
| Recommenders Institution:            | Univ of Mass Amherst                                      | Contact Name:                 | Nathaniel Kelly                                 |
| Waive Access to Recommendation Ltrs: | I choose to waive my right to review this recommendation. | Recommendation Waiver Choice: |   |
| Recommendation Form Submitted:       | ✓   | Recommendation Status:        | Received  |
| Received Date:                       | 01/03/2023 11:37 AM                                       | Recommender Assessment:       | I recommend this applicant without reservation. |
| Recommendation Type:                 | General   | Recommender Form:             | Letter of Recommendation                        |
| Recommendation Entity ID:            | 1024000108760758  | Recommendation Owner:         | Josephine Bernier                               |

#### Recommender Form Questions

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| How long have you known applicant:         | Applicant ability as self-directed learner: |
| Time since last contact with applicant:    | Applicant as productive member of group:    |
| Relationship with Applicant:               | Applicant most significant strengths:       |
| Ability to complete rigorous grad program: | Responsibility/reliability:                 |
| Communication Skills - Oral:               | Communication skills - written:             |
| Service Orientation-sensitivity/empathy:   | Ability to work independently:              |
| Ability to handle stress:                  | Ability to think critically:                |
| Ability to analyze/problem solve:          | Ability to think creatively:                |
| Openness to feedback:                      | Potential for leadership:                   |
| Ability to work in a team:                 | Personal/professional reflection:           |

#### Description Information

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| Description: | Form URL: | <a href="https://evergreenstatecollege.radius">https://evergreenstatecollege.radius</a> |
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#### Other Information

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| Created Time:  | 12/29/2022 03:33 PM | Created By:  | Josephine Bernier |
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Dear admissions committee:

It is my great pleasure to recommend Nathaniel Kelly to the Master of Environmental Studies degree program at Evergreen State. 'Nat' is an excellent student and wonderful person. I know him the 500-level Geomorphology course I taught during my first year at UMass. Between class, weekly 3-hour labs, and field trips, I spent a considerable time with Nat. Nat performed very well in my course, earning a grade of A-. He readily picked up a wide range of new field and computational skills, including surveying, mapping surficial deposits, hillslope stability modeling, and GIS analysis of topographic data. At the end of the semester one of my post-docs was in need of a field assistant to help with some surveys of channel cross-sections and grain-size measurements and I recommended Nat for the position without hesitation. Nat performed very well in this role. He was able to work independently and as a team member of a small field crew and performed extremely well both in collecting the field measurements, and in subsequent data analysis and quality assurance tasks. Moreover, Nat is a very enjoyable person to be around. He gets along very well with others and is extremely humble. Nat also worked as a work-study student, helping maintain our department by putting fresh paint on the walls and cleaning up vans after field trips. He did all this work with great cheer and pride.

Nat has indicated that he wants to turn his career in a direction that focuses on environmental education. I am fully supportive of that decision and believe that Nat would be an excellent educator, and one who can bring his knowledge and enthusiasm stemming from his undergraduate degree in geology to his students. In closing, I believe Nat Kelly would take full advantage of opportunities for professional growth provided by your degree program and would be an excellent member of your academic community.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Isaac J. Larsen".

Isaac Larsen