

#### Application Related Information

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Application: Application Verified  
Grad Program Applying To: MES

Iteration Name: 202410\_GR\_G  
Program Name: MES

#### Recommendation Information

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Recommended By: Sasha Falsberg  
Recommenders Institution: Trader Joe's  
Waive Access to Recommendation Ltrs: I choose to waive my right to review this recommendation.  
Recommendation Form Submitted: ✓

Recommenders Title: Manager  
Contact Name: Nathaniel Kelly  
Recommendation Waiver Choice:  
Recommendation Status: Received

Received Date: 12/30/2022 12:19 PM  
Recommendation Type: General  
Recommendation Entity ID: 1024000108760736

Recommender Assessment: I recommend this applicant without reservation.  
Recommender Form: Letter of Recommendation  
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: <https://evergreenstatecollege.radiu>

#### Other Information

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December 1, 2022

Sasha Falsberg  
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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to recommend Nathaniel Kelly for acceptance into the Master of Environmental Studies program at The Evergreen State College. I have had the pleasure of working closely with Nathaniel for the past year, watching him grow professionally and personally.

Over the past year as Nathaniel's manager at Trader Joe's, I have witnessed his continuous desire to learn, ability to problem solve on the spot while maintaining excellent communication, dedication to complete every small detail asked of him as well as the unspoken details, and I have watched him step into his own leadership role, teaching those around him. Nathaniel's enthusiasm to do his best does not stop at the professional details, he also takes the time to make sure that those around him, whether it be colleagues or customers, are always comfortable and well-tended to, making sure to leave no questions unanswered.

Through the many projects that Nathaniel and I have collaborated on, I have watched his analytical skills grow in unforeseen ways. He has taken on the extra responsibility of ordering multiple sections for the store, evaluating sales patterns, communicating with store leaders for feedback, and adjusting as needed. All his colleagues can see his dedication to getting better at everything he does, leading to him being just one of five employees to receive a bonus voted on by leadership.

Overall, Nathaniel is one of the most dependable, hard-working, and positive employees I have had the pleasure to work with. I would not hesitate to hire Nathaniel in the future, and truly hope to have the opportunity to work with again in the future.

Should you have any more questions, feel free to contact me at 206.790.7797.

Best,

Sasha Falsberg

