

I am requesting the prerequisite coursework requirements for admission into the MES program at Evergreen be waived, please see the below statements.

Social Science prerequisite petition

I graduated in 2010 from Regent University with a Bachelor of Science in Psychology and a minor in communications. Even though I received my degree more than five years ago, the majority of my classes and focus in college was in the social sciences. Some of my course load included Abnormal Psychology, Social Psychology, Case Management, Cognitive Psychology, Counseling skills, Addictive Disorders, Theories of Personality, Advanced Survey of Psychology, and more. I graduated with a 3.68 GPA.

Natural science prerequisite petition

Since graduating, I have worked as a marine biologist for a local nonprofit research organization called Cascadia Research Collective. I have spent the last eleven years studying the population structure, movements, distribution and anthropogenic impacts to a variety of marine mammals. This has included publishing scientific papers and presenting my work at marine mammal conferences. I had originally intended a marine biology degree in college, so my first year at Seattle Pacific University was spent taking biology coursework intended for that major (Natural Science, Intro to Bio w/Lab, Human Bio w/Lab, and more).

Statistics prerequisite petition

Throughout my time at Cascadia over the last eleven years, I have gained experience using a variety of statistical methods in scientific research. I have submitted a paper looking at the distribution of Risso's dolphins in Southern California, and that has involved doing mark-recapture analysis, ANOVA tests and regression models. I also took a Statistics class in college that went over basic probability, p-values, null hypothesis testing, chi-square tests, and more. I feel confident in my ability to understand and utilize these basic concepts. One of the reasons I hope to get into this program is to increase my skillset in that area and learn how to use a program like R to analyze my data better.