

#### Application Related Information

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Application:	Application Verified	Iteration Name:	202510_GR_G
Grad Program Applying To:	MES	Program Name:	MES

#### Recommendation Information

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Recommended By:	Brian Cooper	Recommenders Title:	Dr.
Recommenders Institution:	Sam Houston State University	Contact Name:	Sophia Gump
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:	12/19/2023 12:17 PM	Recommender Assessment:	I recommend this applicant.
Recommendation Type:	General	Recommender Form:	Letter of Recommendation
Recommendation Entity ID:	1024000112252257	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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#### Other Information

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# Sam Houston State University

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## ENVIRONMENTAL AND GEOSCIENCES

December 19, 2023

The Graduate Admissions Team  
Environmental Studies  
The Evergreen State College

To Whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter to recommend Sophia Gump for the Master of Environmental Studies program at The Evergreen State College.

Sophia is enthusiastic, mature, and is serious about her studies. She is a good person and has a positive personality that makes her easy to work with. She earned the second highest grade in my Physical Geology class of 30 students. Only missed 6 points on the five exams. Her motivation and curiosity are refreshing. An excellent student to have in the classroom.

I also worked with her when she was President of the Bearkat Competitive Climbing Club. I am the faculty advisor for the club. She did a good job of keeping the club active. She became certified to be a climbing wall instructor when she worked as a member of the Climbing Wall Staff. She trained several of my geology majors so they could be certified to belay. We now have eight geology majors that climb regularly.

If Sophia were a geology major and we had a graduate program, then we would certainly want Sophia to consider continuing with us because she has potential to contribute at a high level. I strongly recommend her for the Master of Environmental Studies program. Thank you for your consideration of this recommendation, and please contact me if you need further information.

Sincerely,

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