

Application Related Information

Application: Application Not Verified
Grad Program Applying To: MES

Iteration Name: 202510_GR_G
Program Name: MES

Recommendation Information

Recommended By: Aaron Fox
Recommenders Institution: Cal Poly Pomona
Waive Access to Recommendation Ltrs: I choose to waive my right to review this recommendation.
Recommendation Form Submitted: ✓

Recommenders Title: Associate Professor

Contact Name: Ingrid Zaragoza

Recommendation Waiver Choice:

Recommendation Status: Received

Received Date: 06/13/2024 09:26 AM

Recommender Assessment: I recommend this applicant without reservation.

Recommendation Type: General

Recommender Form: Letter of Recommendation

Recommendation Entity ID: 1024000118918602

Recommendation Owner: Josephine Bernier

Recommender Form Questions

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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Don B. Huntley College of Agriculture
Plant Science Department

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To Evergreen State College Graduate Admissions:

I enthusiastically recommend Ingrid Zaragoza for the Master of Environmental Studies program. Ingrid has the experience, skills, and aptitude to be successful in a graduate research program. I actively worked with Ms. Zaragoza for approximately two years and have kept in touch with her since. She was a student in my classes, and she was an undergraduate research assistant with me on three research projects. She has a strong undergraduate GPA (3.4), has excellent attention to detail skills, and is incredibly reliable.

Ms. Zaragoza was an undergraduate research assistant on three of my sustainable agriculture research projects. These projects were investigating cover crops and soil quality. Ms. Zaragoza was responsible for managing the field plots and collecting regularly scheduled data. Most of this research was done during the height of the pandemic and she often had to work without my direct supervision in the field. Ms. Zaragoza was responsible and meticulous, and she always communicated concerns and questions to me. Furthermore, she was on a team of two to three research assistants and Ms. Zaragoza worked well with her teammates and naturally took on leadership responsibilities. One of the research projects Ms. Zaragoza worked on was a collaboration with Chico State University. The researchers at Chico State were so impressed with our work that they have since sought additional collaborations with us.

Finally, as I've gotten to know Ms. Zaragoza, I've learned that she is inquisitive and deep thinker. She asks good questions; she is creative and finds ways to solve problems; and she cares about the planet and wants to find ways to address global concerns. I think these attributes make her a great fit for your program.

Please let me know if there is any additional information or materials I can provide.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Aaron F. Fox".

Aaron F. Fox, Ph.D.

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