

Application Related Information

Application: Application Incomplete
Grad Program Applying To: MES

Iteration Name: 202610_GR_G
Program Name: MES

Recommendation Information

Recommended By: Gina Fiorini
Recommenders Institution: Bellevue College
Waive Access to Recommendation Ltrs: I choose to waive my right to review this recommendation.

Recommenders Title: Professor
Contact Name: Arantxa Barcenas

Recommendation Waiver Choice: I choose to waive my right to review this recommendation.

Recommendation Form Submitted: ✓

Recommendation Status: Received

Received Date: 04/11/2025 04:08 PM

Recommender Assessment: I recommend this applicant.

Recommendation Type: General

Recommender Form: Letter of Recommendation

Recommendation Entity ID: 1024000121971802

Recommendation Owner: Shalimar Pedersen

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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I am excited to recommend Arantxa Barcnas for admission to the Master of Environmental Science program at Evergreen State College. Arantxa was a student of mine in Fall 2022 when she attended Bellevue College, prior to transferring to her university.

Arantxa was in my General Chemistry Preparation with Lab (CHEM& 140). She did well in the course and was a valuable member of the class. Arantxa attended class regularly and in general kept up with assignments. She participated well in group work, eager to understand the material herself and help her classmates increase their understanding as well. She contributed to class by volunteering to answer questions and participating in discussions.

Arantxa especially enjoyed the laboratory sessions that we had each week, which added up to approximately ten experiments for the quarter. She followed the experimental procedures well, obtained good results, worked closely with her lab partners to complete the work, and volunteered to help with lab cleanup. She was diligent and thorough in her approach to experimentation, taking the time to make careful and complete observations and writing up those observations as detailed experimental notes, as well as recording quantitative data accurately and precisely.

I witnessed her persistence and capacity for joy when she was able to solve one of the hardest balancing chemical equations that I give in that class. Her other lab mates had tried to solve it for a little while and had given up, but Arantxa stuck with it and figured it out. I heard Arantxa happily call out across the lab room, "I got it! I got it!", and then proceed to show her lab mates how to solve it. It's become one of those special personal teaching moments that encourages me to keep teaching.

It has been wonderful to hear from Arantxa now a few years later with the exciting news that she wants to pursue a Master degree in Environmental Science. Her passion for science and experimentation as well as her persistent approach to her own learning make her an excellent candidate for your program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Gina Fiorini'.

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