

September 9, 2024

Dear MES Admissions Committee:

I am happy to write this letter in support of Victoria (Cinder) Camerano's application for the Master of Environmental Studies program at Evergreen. I had the pleasure of learning and teaching with Cinder fall of 2023 in Introduction to the Nonprofit Sector and Grant Writing, offered through Evergreen's school of Professional and Continuing Education.

Cinder impressed me with Cinder's dedication to the course material, deep understanding of the field of nonprofit administration, and a genuine commitment to serving the community. Cinder's academic performance was excellent, demonstrating a thorough grasp of complex concepts and a natural ability to apply theoretical knowledge to practical situations. Cinder's analytical skills are particularly strong as demonstrated in Cinder's community analysis of the viability of a free health clinic in Pacific County, and in Cinder's organizational analysis of and slide presentation on The Wildlife Conservation Society.

Indeed, my feedback on Cinder's organizational analysis was a reflection on the excellent quality of work as well as Cinder's passion for the organization and the work that they do and that pairs well with the MES program:

This was an excellent analysis; it was well written and researched. You gave the reader a feel for the organization, moving from history to reckoning to future good works. You included an excellent discussion of the significant political and social capital the executive director brings to the organization. You tied the analysis to the class topics of transparency and equity. I want to attend some event for this organization after reading your paper.

Thank you for considering Cinder Camerano for the Master of Environmental Studies program. If you have any further questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Doreen Swetkis, Ph.D. | she/her

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