

#### Application Related Information

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Application:	Application Verified	Iteration Name:	202610_GR_G
Grad Program Applying To:	MES	Program Name:	MES

#### Recommendation Information

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Recommended By:	Tyrus Smith	Recommenders Title:	Professor
Recommenders Institution:	The Evergreen State College Tacoma	Contact Name:	Vanessa Dovenso
Waive Access to Recommendation Ltrs:	I do not waive my right to review this recommendation.	Recommendation Waiver Choice:	
Recommendation Form Submitted:	✓	Recommendation Status:	Received
Received Date:	09/23/2024 08:37 AM	Recommender Assessment:	I recommend this applicant without reservation.
Recommendation Type:	General	Recommender Form:	Letter of Recommendation
Recommendation Entity ID:	1024000119930809	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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Description:	Form URL:	<a href="https://evergreenstatecollege.radius.com">https://evergreenstatecollege.radius.com</a>
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#### Other Information

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September 20, 2024

Dear Review Committee:

This reference letter is provided at the request of Vanessa Doven, who has asked me to serve as a reference on her behalf. It is my understanding that Ms. Doven is applying for admission to The Evergreen State College's Master of Environmental Studies Program.

I have been acquainted with Ms. Doven as her instructor and academic advisor while she has been enrolled at The Evergreen State College's Tacoma Campus. During this time Ms. Doven has shown herself to be an outstanding student! She is an extremely hardworking and intelligent student. She is adept at approaching subject matter analytically and has strong writing skills. Her student projects and other coursework reflect an excellent ability to both synthesize materials and apply her knowledge in practice. Ms. Doven has also served as a student leader working on environmental sustainability projects and initiatives that connected Evergreen's Tacoma and Olympia campuses.

In closing, I highly recommend Ms. Doven for admissions to this program with no reservations. Throughout her undergraduate education, she focused on preparing herself for this opportunity to pursue a graduate degree. She has convincingly demonstrated that she is capable of being successful in graduate studies. If you would like to discuss this further, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

Tyrus Smith, Ph.D.  
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