

Application Related Information

Application: Application Not Verified
Grad Program Applying To: MES

Iteration Name: 202610_GR_G
Program Name: MES

Recommendation Information

Recommended By: Trevor Eakes
Recommenders Institution: Ecologists Without Borders
Waive Access to Recommendation Ltrs: I choose to waive my right to review this recommendation.
Recommendation Form Submitted: ✓

Recommenders Title: Co-Vice President
Contact Name: Lindie Gardner
Recommendation Waiver Choice:
Recommendation Status: Received

Received Date: 09/30/2024 01:21 AM
Recommendation Type: General
Recommendation Entity ID: 1024000120013390

Recommender Assessment: I recommend this applicant.
Recommender Form: Letter of Recommendation
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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Form URL: <https://evergreenstatecollege.radiu>

Other Information

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Admissions Officer (s)
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Olympia

Re: Recommendation letter for Lindie Gardner who is applying for admission to graduate school

Dear Colleague(s),

Ecologists Without Borders (EcoWB) was established in 2011 as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization in Washington State, and currently has projects all over the world. Our mission is to promote healthy ecosystems, the sustainable use of natural resources, and community resilience to ecological change through international collaboration and volunteer service. Over the past decade EcoWB volunteers have helped restore degraded ecosystems, promote the sustainable use of natural resources, and empower and improve the livelihoods of people residing in environmentally impacted areas.

Great volunteers at EcoWB exhibit the virtues of creativity, self-direction, and self-motivation as leaders. They demonstrate the spirit of altruism by donating time in their quiet hours at a desk to help people they usually will never meet, for goals the realization of which they may never personally experience. As David Foster Wallace put it: “True heroism is minutes, hours, weeks, year upon year of the quiet, precise, judicious exercise of probity and care—with no one there to see or cheer.” In our discipline of environmental science, people like Lindie who embody this spirit of heroism can achieve great things.

So, I am pleased to recommend Lindie Gardner to your Master’s in Environmental Science program, knowing she would be an exceptional student. I have recruited and trained many volunteers at Ecologists Without Borders for over eight years and I feel confident supporting Lindie’s application as one of the most outstanding volunteers I have had the privilege of collaborating with. Over the past six months Lindie has advanced from Secretariat to Lead Secretariat, currently helping me to oversee our team of 12 Secretariat members who, with the Board of Directors, carry out the 2024-2028 strategic plan. In this time she has contributed to important policy making decisions on our projects committee, helping us reshape our project management approach and developing new resources such as video guides for potential project makers, available on our website: [EcoWB Video Tutorial 1: Proposing Your Project to EcoWB - YouTube](#) Her proactive leadership style and strong communications skills have been a great support to me and others during this recent period of great activity.

Having myself grown up near Olympia, WA, I am quite familiar with the Evergreen College commitment to service, and to crafting independent thinkers and doers in a holistic educational approach. Lindie would thrive in this environment, and I predict she will make a wonderful addition to your program.

Sincerely,

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