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Graduate Admissions Evans Hall, 1200 The Evergreen State College 2700 Evergreen Parkway, NW Olympia, WA 98505

Dear Admission Committee,

I am writing to express my interest in the Master of Environmental Studies program at The Evergreen State College. As a dedicated soon to be graduate with a bachelor's degree of science in biology with a minor in environmental studies, I show a strong passion for sustainability and public health. I am eager to contribute to the vital work this school has done and continue doing in ensuring a vibrant academic community and a thriving education that help students succeed. I believe this program will provide me with invaluable hands-on experience and deepen my understanding of social justice, data analysis, and environmental protection.

The field of environmental studies and biology is of critical importance as it has the potential to impact the health of both human populations and ecosystems. Natural resources are a finite and precious thing and addressing the growing challenges of pollution and climate change requires a proactive, data-driven approach. My academic background in ecosystem dynamics and ecology has provided me with a solid foundation in environmental science, while my enthusiasm for contributing to solutions that address water contamination has led me to seek out opportunities like this one.

I am particularly interested in this MES program because of my experience as a Stream Team Intern for the Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group, and I am eager to bring my skills in data analysis, fieldwork and lab testing to this college. I look forward to learning from professionals in the field, gaining expertise in the latest environmental protection technologies, and contributing to meaningful projects that advance environmental sustainability.

I am confident that my commitment to environmental protection, combined with my strong academic background and enthusiasm to learn, would make me an asset to this college. Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to the possibility of becoming a MES student at The Evergreen State College.

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