

Application Related Information

Application:	Application Not Verified	Iteration Name:	202610_GR_G
Grad Program Applying To:	MES	Program Name:	MES

Recommendation Information

Recommended By:	Sofia Blair	Recommenders Title:	Graduate Student
Recommenders Institution:	University of Idaho	Contact Name:	Mikayla Kelly
Waive Access to Recommendation Ltrs:	I choose to waive my right to review this recommendation.	Recommendation Waiver Choice:	
Recommendation Form Submitted:	✓	Recommendation Status:	Received
Received Date:	05/14/2025 07:10 AM	Recommender Assessment:	I recommend this applicant without reservation.
Recommendation Type:	General	Recommender Form:	Letter of Recommendation
Recommendation Entity ID:	1024000122069281	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

Description:	Form URL:	https://evergreenstatecollege.radius
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Other Information

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May 14, 2025

Dear Admissions Committee,

It is my pleasure to write this letter of reference for Mikayla Kelly's admission to the Master of Environmental Studies Program at The Evergreen State College. I had the honor of being Mikayla's colleague and peer while attending Whitman College. As members of the same research crew, led by Professor Tim Parker during the summer of 2023, I found Mikayla to be a teammate I could rely on to problem-solve and overcome challenges.

During our time working together, Mikayla was motivated to complete the tasks assigned to us, and insightful in the way that she saw our research as part of a broader framework of environmental-human connectivity. I consider Mikayla to be a successful communicator due to her ability to manage tasks as a team member while both considering the input of others and stepping up to lead the group when necessary. Additionally, Mikayla excelled at thinking creatively when coming up with solutions to problems that arose.

In addition to our experiences as colleagues, I have seen Mikayla as a leader in her community during our time together at Whitman College. This is demonstrated in the time she has dedicated to engaging with youth in the areas of science, academics, and volleyball. Mikayla's dedication to sharing her passions with others, in particular the younger generations, is inspiring.

I highly recommend Mikayla for the Master of Environmental Studies Program, as I am confident that she will be a valuable asset to Evergreen's graduate community. I believe that Mikayla is a creative and passionate individual, who will be a positive addition to any school, job, and community she is in.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 541-705-5787 or blairsofia02@gmail.com.

Sincerely,
Sofia Blair