

#### 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:	Brian Petersen	Recommenders Title:	Professor
Recommenders Institution:	Northern Arizona University	Contact Name:	Mason Wiggins
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:	02/12/2025 09:08 PM	Recommender Assessment:	I recommend this applicant without reservation.
Recommendation Type:	General	Recommender Form:	Letter of Recommendation
Recommendation Entity ID:	1024000121784084	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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#### Other Information

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To: Evergreen State College, Graduate College

From: Brian Petersen, Associate Professor

Re: Mason Wiggins letter of recommendation

Date: February 12, 2025

Dear Admissions Committee,

I am delighted to write a letter of recommendation for Mason Wiggins. Mason took classes with me during their time at Northern Arizona University. Mason stood out amongst their peers I have strong memories of their time in my classes. Mason has many qualities that lend themselves to this program but the most important one revolves around their genuine interest in pursuing a graduate degree in the environmental field. Your program in Environmental Studies, one I am familiar with, aligns well with Mason's interests and skills.

Mason showcased attributes in my classes that made clear they are well positioned for graduate school. Mason has excellent writing skills and turned in outstanding written assignments. They also have strong communication skills, clearly articulating ideas and concepts, providing insightful comments that enhanced the learning experience of other students in these classes. Mason has an intellectual curiosity ideal for graduate work. Undergraduate classes, in general, did not provide sufficient rigor for Mason and likely affected their GPA. I can assure you, whatever the GPA suggests is misleading – Mason has strong analytical reasoning skills, above average intelligence, discipline, and desire, making them an ideal candidate for your program.

Your program also revolves around core interests Mason has. They will certainly take their graduate work seriously. They are dependable, inquisitive, engaged, and eager to learn more. I have no doubt that Mason will excel in your program.

In short, I have no reservations recommending Mason for your program and urge you to accept them. You will not be disappointed.

Sincerely,

Brian Petersen, PhD