

#### Application Related Information

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Application: Application Incomplete  
Grad Program Applying To: MIT

Iteration Name: 202430\_GR\_G  
Program Name: MIT

#### Recommendation Information

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Recommended By: Nikki Visel  
Recommenders Institution: Path With Art  
Waive Access to Recommendation Ltrs: I choose to waive my right to review this recommendation.  
Recommendation Form Submitted: ✓

Recommenders Title: Teaching Artist  
Contact Name: Benjamin Purswell  
Recommendation Waiver Choice: I choose to waive my right to review this recommendation.  
Recommendation Status: Received

Received Date: 01/30/2024 08:44 PM  
Recommendation Type: General  
Recommendation Entity ID: 1024000112409894

Recommender Assessment: I recommend this applicant.  
Recommender Form: Letter of Recommendation  
Recommendation Owner: Shalimar Pedersen

#### 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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Form URL: <https://evergreenstatecollege.radiu>

#### Other Information

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Graduate Admissions  
Evergreen State College  
Masters in Teaching and Education Program

Dear Luis Apolaya Torres,

I am writing to recommend Jennyfer Pursell for admission to your Masters in Teaching Program. I have worked closely with Jennyfer over the last seven years in my position as a Teaching Artist at Path with Art; including a number of Shakespeare performance classes and several classes in personal storytelling. Jennyfer is consistent, open, and teachable. She brings unique life experiences to her process and is able to ask for what she needs to be successful, transforming every opportunity into a performance of thoughtfulness and depth.

Jennyfer has successfully challenged herself in every classroom situation I have witnessed, asking for more difficult material and bringing brave and courageous ideas to her work. Additionally, she is a supportive and attentive class member, offering constructive and positive feedback to others when requested. I have witnessed her understanding of process growing as she graciously creates space for the ideas of others.

It is my belief that Jennyfer possesses a perspective rarely found in educators, having overcome a lifetime of setbacks which she has transformed into resilience and compassion. She comes with diverse life experiences, a passion for bringing those experiences to the field of education, and an unrelenting desire to learn and teach. As such, I recommend Jennyfer Purswell to you and believe she will succeed at the Evergreen State College.

Please feel free to contact me at [nikkiv@pathwithart.org](mailto:nikkiv@pathwithart.org) or 206.369.5235 if you require further information.

Sincerely,

Nikki Visel

Teaching Artist  
Path with Art