

Application Related Information

Application:	Application Incomplete	Iteration Name:	202540_GR_G
Grad Program Applying To:	MIT	Program Name:	MIT

Recommendation Information

Recommended By:	Bradley Proctor	Recommenders Title:	Proffesor
Recommenders Institution:	Evergreen State College	Contact Name:	Tiernan Colson
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:	04/12/2025 05:47 PM	Recommender Assessment:	I recommend this applicant.
Recommendation Type:	General	Recommender Form:	Letter of Recommendation
Recommendation Entity ID:	1024000121716700	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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Other Information

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April 12, 2025

Dear graduate admissions committee,

I write to recommend Tiernan Colson for admission to the Masters in Teaching program at the Evergreen State College. I first taught Tiernan in the fall of 2023 in the program America to 2025: History and Expressive Culture, co-taught with Dr. Sean Williams. Tiernan then took the Fall 2024 program Forward/Freedom/Formation, an interdisciplinary program in U.S. history, literature, and cultural studies, co-taught by Prof. Kris Coffey, and has continued with us into winter and spring in the program Writing the South. Tiernan's work in all three programs has been good. He is an enthusiastic student with a strong interest in being a social studies teacher, driven by a passion for history.

Tiernan has been successful in multiple components of the programs he has taken. He is a frequent contributor to both large and small group conversations, demonstrating great engagement as a constructive participant in class. His enthusiasm brings a positive presence to the classroom. Tiernan is also eager to talk about history outside of class. His engagement and enthusiasm strongly suggest his potential as a social studies teacher.

Tiernan's written work is good, although in both writing and speaking Tiernan has a tendency to overly complicate his words. Tiernan's completed assignments have provided demonstration of both comprehension and analysis of program themes and topics. In America to 2025 last year, Tiernan completed several very successful papers, projects, and presentations. His essay exploring temperance movements and prohibition showed particular initiative. In Forward/Freedom/Formation, Tiernan's main essay did a good job exploring the political economy of the Civil War era. His evident enthusiasm and engagement with nineteenth-century American history have been essential parts of his academic success.

Tiernan's keen interest in history and evident enthusiasm will almost certainly make him a successful social studies teacher. I have no doubts that he will be a strong student in the MiT program. Please feel free to reach out with any questions about his candidacy or for further information.

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Sincerely,

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