

Application Related Information

Application: Application Not Verified
Grad Program Applying To: MIT

Iteration Name: 202540_GR_G
Program Name: MIT

Recommendation Information

Recommended By: Nancy Murray
Recommenders Institution: The Evergreen State College

Recommenders Title: Member of the Faculty

Contact Name: Zacharie Straley

Waive Access to Recommendation Ltrs: I do not waive my right to review this recommendation.

Recommendation Waiver Choice:

Recommendation Form Submitted: ✓

Recommendation Status: Received

Received Date: 11/27/2024 12:52 PM

Recommender Assessment: I recommend this applicant without reservation.

Recommendation Type: General

Recommender Form: Letter of Recommendation

Recommendation Entity ID: 1024000121281400

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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November 27, 2024

To Master's in Teaching Admissions Committee:

This letter is in enthusiastic and full support of Zacharie Straley's application to the Master's in Teaching program. Zacharie and I met in the spring of 2022 when he enrolled in the upper division program, Developmental Biology. Zacharie subsequently enrolled in my upper division course, Neurobiology. Because I have worked closely with him, I am in an excellent position to serve as a reference. In short, Zacharie was a strong student and communicator with high standards; he is reliable, conscientious, and a team player. I believe he is an excellent candidate for the MiT program and the teaching profession, and I seriously encourage you to consider his application.

Zacharie has all the earmarks of a strong student and completed very good work in all aspects of the Developmental Biology program and Neuroscience course. He is someone who thoroughly immerses himself in his studies and finds genuine pleasure in learning new concepts and applying those concepts outside the classroom. One of his strengths is his desire to really understand material. He often asked questions outside of class to deepen his understanding.

He has proven himself a dedicated student committed to interdisciplinary learning and developing a strong sense of community among his peers. Zacharie was often a leader in class discussions and came to each session with informed questions and insightful comments. He also enthusiastically explores ideas that differ from his own to broaden his understanding. He pays close attention, brings good questions, and contributes sensibly and respectfully to the discussion.

Zacharie can take information, synthesize it and return with plausible connections and outcomes. He seems to strike the appropriate balance between serving as an active leader or an excellent listener in a group situation.

On a personal level, Zacharie communicates ideas with others and approaches life with an optimistic attitude. As I hope is clear from this letter, I hold him in high regard, and it is without reservation that I encourage you to seriously consider his application. If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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