

Application Related Information

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| Application: | Application Verified | Iteration Name: | 202540_GR_G |
| Grad Program Applying To: | MIT | Program Name: | MIT |

Recommendation Information

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| Recommended By: | Kristin Denham | Recommenders Title: | Professor |
| Recommenders Institution: | Western Washington University | Contact Name: | Nicholas Walker |
| 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: | 11/13/2024 09:15 AM | Recommender Assessment: | I recommend this applicant. |
| Recommendation Type: | General | Recommender Form: | Letter of Recommendation |
| Recommendation Entity ID: | 1024000121079110 | 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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* Do you recommend this applicant?

I recommend this applicant.

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November 13, 2024

Dear Graduate Admissions Committee,

I am writing to recommend Nick Walker very enthusiastically for admission into the Masters in Teaching program at Evergreen. Nick was a student in my course Linguistics, Education, and Social Justice (LING 370) in the spring of 2024, and I also served as one of his academic advisors for the Linguistics major here at WWU.

Nick's passion for language and for learning and for learning about language is immense. His contributions in our discussion-based class were always extremely thoughtful; his assignments were thorough (and in fact in reviewing his course grades and assignments, he had 100%!); and his gentle guidance in collaborative projects was a keen example of a (future) teacher at work. Nick's deep engagement with every reading, discussion, and collaborative project was evident. This particular course content, on linguistics, education, and social justice, focused not on linguistics and language study in the educational system but also on the role of linguistics and knowledge about language in the broader public realm. When Nick told me during the course of the class about his long-standing desire to be a teacher, I was so glad to know that he would be about to build on what he knows about language and identity and keep learning more to help make a difference in the world.

Nick has a deeply held commitment to justice and inclusion, and he is eager to bring his knowledge of linguistic and social justice to young students. It's been exciting to see Nick's goals solidify over this year, and I am so glad that he's planning to pursue high school teaching. He will be a dedicated and committed graduate student and a fantastic teacher. I recommend him wholeheartedly and without any reservation.

Sincerely,

Kristin Denham

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