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Dear Sarah,

Congratulations! I am pleased to inform you, upon recommendation by the Graduate Program on the Environment Admissions Committee, that you have been accepted into the Fall 2018 cohort for the Master of Environmental Studies (MES) degree at The Evergreen State College. I hope you are able to join us!

Important notifications from the college and MES will be sent to your Evergreen email address periodically, so be sure to set it up immediately and check it regularly. Directions are enclosed. Starting now, we will send out paid internships, jobs, and other opportunities for MES students to this email. Please also keep your mailing address updated by contacting Graduate Admissions: graduateadmissions@evergreen.edu or 360-867-6856.

As a new MES student, you are required to enroll in the first MES core class: graduate Conceptualizing our Regional Environment, or gCORE. All core courses are on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6pm-10pm. If you intend to finish in two years, you should also take an elective course along with gCORE. To see more information on our courses, including faculty contact information, please review the 2018-19 MES online catalog at <u>evergreen.edu/catalog/grad/mes.</u> Fall registration instructions will come by email from the MES office in May. You may also take summer 2018 courses with MES as a special (non-matriculated) student – up to eight credits of these courses will count toward your degree. If you have any questions about this process, please reach out to MES Assistant Director Andrea Martin at martina@evergreen.edu.

This year, the Fall quarter starts September 24, 2018. We will hold a mandatory orientation on Monday, September 17, 2018. All new students are required to participate. In mid-August, we will send more specific information by email and postal mail about orientation if you have accepted this offer of admission.

If you applied for MES aid or filled out your FAFSA by February 1, you will receive a separate message letting you know if you received an award from MES. Loan awards and Evergreen Need Grants (residents only) will be sent to you by the Financial Aid office and will come later. If you did not apply for aid or did not fill out your FAFSA, you will still be eligible for loans by filling out your FAFSA at any time. Go to <u>fafsa.ed.gov</u> to apply.

If you wish to accept this offer of admission, please promptly inform Andrea Martin, the MES Assistant Director, by emailing <u>martina@evergreen.edu</u>. Enclosed are directions to pay your tuition deposit. This <u>non-refundable \$100.00 deposit</u> reserves your space in the program. In order to hold your space <u>the</u> <u>college must receive payment by May 11, 2018</u>. If you cannot accept this offer of admission, please notify us in writing as soon as possible.

We are excited to meet you and work with you soon. It is with considerable care that we select this class of 45 students. We hope this opportunity to participate in our program will be meaningful to you. You will be part of a diverse, capable, and dedicated group of people. I will be pleased to discuss any aspect of the program with you should you have further questions. The MES faculty and staff look forward to having you join us in September.

Sincerely,

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