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Dear Cassandra,

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 2025 cohort for the Master of Environmental Studies (MES) degree at The Evergreen State College. If you would like to accept your admissions to the Fall 2025 cohort, please email Assistant Director, Averil Azar, at [averil.a.azar@evergreen.edu](mailto:averil.a.azar@evergreen.edu).

Your admission to the program is **CONDITIONAL** because the Admissions Committee did not see evidence in your application that you have completed, within the last five years, the following pre-requisite course(s):

- 4 quarter credits or 3 semester credits of statistics
- 4 quarter credits or 3 semester credits of natural sciences

Completion of this coursework is required before you may begin the MES core sequence. Please be sure that official transcripts reflecting completion of this work is received by the Graduate Admissions office no later than September 12th, 2025. For a list of ways to meet this requirement, email Assistant Director, Averil Azar, at [averil.a.azar@evergreen.edu](mailto:averil.a.azar@evergreen.edu).

To celebrate your admission to the program, we would like to invite you to **MES Admitted Student Day 2025 on Friday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025 from 9 am to 4:30 pm, Pacific Time, at The Evergreen State College**. This is an optional event where you can meet faculty, and current students, and learn about the opportunities available to you as an MES student. Admitted Student Day 2025 will be a predominantly in-person event with a remote attendance option, which you can register for using the QR Code to the right or the following link: <https://forms.office.com/r/fzwypyEPqL>.

**Important notifications from the college and MES will be sent to your Evergreen email address periodically, so be sure to set it up as soon as you receive the Evergreen account activation email and check it regularly.**

Directions for how to setup your account can be found in the [Welcome to Evergreen.PDF](#) document enclosed with this letter. Starting now, we will send out paid internships, jobs, and other opportunities for MES students to your Evergreen email address. Please also keep your mailing address updated through your **my.evergreen.edu** student portal which you will be able to login to once your student email and password have been setup.

Fall registration will open up May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 8:00 am, Pacific Time! As a new MES student, you are required to enroll in the first MES core class: graduate Conceptualizing our Regional Environment (gCORE). All core courses are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6-10pm (PT). If you intend to finish in two years, you should also take an elective course along with gCORE. You will be able to register for Fall quarter's required core class, gCORE, and an elective of your choice through your **my.evergreen.edu** student account, once it's setup by the Graduate Admissions office. **Please note, you**





**will need to submit MMR vaccination documentation, or a waiver of the vaccination requirement, through your student portal before you will be able to register for classes.** To see the courses offered, go to [evergreen.edu/catalog/grad/mes](http://evergreen.edu/catalog/grad/mes). If you have any questions about this process, please reach out to MES Assistant Director, Averi Azar at [averi.a.azar@evergreen.edu](mailto:averi.a.azar@evergreen.edu).

This year, Fall quarter starts on September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025. **We will hold a mandatory Orientation on Friday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025. All new students are required to participate.** In mid-August, we will send more details about Orientation, and Fall quarter by email if you have accepted this offer of admission.

If you applied for financial aid by completing your FAFSA or WASFA, then a separate email from the Financial Aid office will inform you of your eligibility for loan awards, tuition waivers, and Evergreen Need Grants. **Please note, the Financial Aid Priority Application Deadline for completing your FAFSA or WASFA is March 1, 2025.** Please be sure to complete your FAFSA at [fafsa.ed.gov](http://fafsa.ed.gov). Non-citizens who meet Washington State residency requirements can apply for financial aid resources at [wsac.wa.gov/wasfa](http://wsac.wa.gov/wasfa). If you are active duty military, a veteran, or dependent interested in using education benefits for graduate school, please connect with the Veterans Resource Center at Evergreen to determine your eligibility and to activate your benefits by reaching out to them at [veterans@evergreen.edu](mailto:veterans@evergreen.edu). You can find more information on their website at [evergreen.edu/veterans](http://evergreen.edu/veterans).

You will be invited to apply for **MES Scholarships** starting February 1, 2025 through our Award Spring Scholarship Application process. The Scholarship Application in MES will remain open until March 1, 2025, after which time, you will be reviewed for the funding resources we can offer new students in MES for the 2025-2026 academic year. You will need to have activated your Evergreen student account to complete the scholarship application through Award Spring.

If you wish to accept this offer of admission, please promptly inform Averi Azar, the MES Assistant Director, by emailing [averi.a.azar@evergreen.edu](mailto:averi.a.azar@evergreen.edu). Enclosed are directions to pay your tuition deposit. This non-refundable \$100.00 deposit reserves your space in the program and is due by **June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025**. If you cannot accept this offer of admission, please email Averi Azar to confirm your admissions decision in writing as soon as possible.

We are excited to meet you and share more about the program. We select the incoming cohort of students with considerable care. 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. The MES faculty and staff look forward to having you join us in September.

If you have any questions, please contact me at [leroyc@evergreen.edu](mailto:leroyc@evergreen.edu) or Averi Azar at [averi.a.azar@evergreen.edu](mailto:averi.a.azar@evergreen.edu).

Once again, thank you for applying to Evergreen's MES program!

Sincerely,  
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