

March 20, 2015

Trace McKellips 101 Pine Lane Alcester, SD 57001

Dear Trace, A# A00374925

Congratulations! It is my pleasure to inform you that you have been selected to receive an AmeriCorps Service Award from the Graduate Program on the Environment at The Evergreen State College in the amount of \$500 per year for up to two years.

This award is a one-time renewable partial waiver of your tuition. The waiver will be credited to your student account in three installments each equal to a third of this amount for Fall, Winter and Spring Quarters as long as you meet MES financial aid criteria as described below.

- In order to be eligible to receive these funds, MES students must register for a minimum of two credits per quarter.
- Failure to enroll for at least two credits by the fifth day of each quarter listed above will result in forfeiture of the waiver.
- Your award cannot exceed the cost of tuition. If it does exceed tuition, you will NOT receive the difference in cash.
- You may renew this award one more time in a future academic year as an MES student.

In addition to this award, be sure to check your financial aid offer from the Financial Aid office – you may also have received a loan offer and/or Evergreen Need Grant (residents only) if you submitted your FAFSA. If you didn't fill out the <u>FAFSA</u>, you can do so at any time to receive \$20,500+ in loans. Also, don't forget to look for <u>jobs</u> or <u>internships</u>, as well as <u>outside</u> scholarships.

Please note that adjustments to your aid are likely to occur if there are changes to your status, such as changes to enrollment status, number of credit hours, residency status, etc. In addition, increased personal resources may result in decreases to other financial aid awards including possible repayment for financial aid you have already received, including loan proceeds.

In order to accept this award, please email Gail Wootan at <a href="wootang@evergreen.edu">wootang@evergreen.edu</a> indicating your acceptance by May 1, 2015. Also, if you haven't done so already, please remember to pay your tuition deposit by this date.

If you have any questions about this award or the Evergreen Need Grant, please contact the MES office at 360-867-6225.

If you have any questions about loans, please contact Financial Aid at 360-867-6205.

Sincerely,

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