

Master of Public Administration 2700 Evergreen Parkway NW Olympia, Washington 98505

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**STUDENT ID: A00232122** 

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Dear Lisbeth,

Congratulations! I am pleased to inform you, upon recommendation of the MPA Admissions Committee, that you have been accepted into Evergreen's Master of Public Administration program for Fall 2013. We select our entering cohorts with considerable care. You are part of a diverse, capable, and dedicated cohort of people selected to begin the program this year. We hope you will join us.

To accept this offer of admission and reserve your space in the Fall 2013 cohort, **the college must receive a non-refundable \$100.00 deposit by Thursday, April 25, 2013**. The tuition deposit billing form is enclosed. Once you have paid your deposit, please activate your "My Evergreen" account to ensure that you receive emails from us.

What follows is some important information about admission, financial aid and Fall quarter registration and course scheduling. If you have any questions, feel welcome to contact Randee Gibbons, Assistant MPA Director, at <a href="mailto:gibbonsr@evergreen.edu">gibbonsr@evergreen.edu</a>.

Your admission to the MPA program requires **proof that you've been awarded a baccalaureate** (bachelor's) degree before you begin MPA coursework in Fall 2013. Accordingly, the Evergreen Office of Admissions must receive an official transcript or other written confirmation from an official of the awarding institution indicating you have been awarded your bachelor's degree by September 16, 2013. The Office of Admissions must receive an official transcript reflecting the awarding of the bachelor's degree by November 1, 2013 in order for you to continue in the MPA Program beyond the Fall Quarter. If you are awarded financial aid, your final transcript reflecting completion of the bachelor's degree must be received by September 16, 2013 in order for any financial aid funds to be released for Fall Quarter.

In addition, we are requiring that you participate in a **one (1) quarter credit public or non-profit sector internship** *before you \*graduate\** from the MPA program. This internship is a requirement for students with limited professional experience (less than one year) in public policy or public and non profit administration. Please note that if you believe you have the requisite experience, you may petition this decision to the MPA Director **after** you begin the MPA program.

This offer of admission is dependent upon successful completion of any academic work currently in progress.

Re: financial aid: if you have \*not\* yet applied for financial aid and would like to apply: (1) Complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) to qualify for federal student loans; (2) Review MPA sponsored financial assistance opportunities and complete the 2013-14 MPA Financial Aid Awards Application Form by April 8, 2013. Information for both options is posted on our MPA Financial Aid page: <a href="http://www.evergreen.edu/mpa/finaid.htm">http://www.evergreen.edu/mpa/finaid.htm</a>. Please note that in order to qualify for any MPA aid with a \*need\* component, the FAFSA \*must\* have been submitted by the March 1, 2013 campus priority deadline. Applicants who have completed the 2013-14 MPA Financial Aid Awards Application Form will be informed of MPA awards decisions via email \*before\* the April 25th MPA admission deposit deadline.

**Fall 2013 course registration will begin Monday, May 20, 2013.** After we receive your tuition deposit, registration instructions and information about Fall courses will be emailed to your **Evergreen email** address.

Please note that while Fall quarter classes begin on Monday, September 30, 2013, we will be starting your first year Core course a bit earlier, with an intensive weekend class meeting and orientation to the MPA program during \*part\* of the weekend of Friday, September 27 through Sunday, September 29. At this time, please reserve these time blocks: Friday 9/27, 5pm-9pm; Saturday 9/28, 8:30am-5pm; and Sunday 9/29, 8:30am-5pm. During the summer we will determine precisely when we will meet and we will send more detailed information. Please note that all students in first year Core are required to participate in this first class meeting.

If you **cannot** accept our offer of admission, please email Randee as soon as possible at <a href="mailto:gibbonsr@evergreen.edu">gibbonsr@evergreen.edu</a> so that we may inform students on our waiting list.

Once again, congratulations on your admission to the Master of Public Administration program! We hope you will accept this offer and look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Lee Lyttle.

Director, MPA Program & Member of the Faculty

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