Hi Laura,

Take a look at the information provided. Please contact me if you need  anymore information.

**Dawn Boyle, Chehalis**

**Background**

I worked as a laborer for Simpson Door Co for 14 years before returning to college to earn a degree. I finished my Business Administration/Business Coordinator degree at South Sound Community College before coming to Evergreen State College. Here I earned my Bachelors Degree and continued on to  my Masters Degree in Public Administration. During my Associates Degree/Bachelors Degree I managed a Domestic Violence Program with a local tribe. There  I learned more had to be done for the polices and changes in legislation for tribes. As I ended my Masters Degree I accepted the position as  Associate Director with the  WomenSpirit Coalition a technical service provider to tribes. Here  I will help develop models and bring new policies while interacting with National leaders the MPA concentration course readied me for.

I am very proud of my achievements, being the first in my family to earn any degree. I have provided a good path for my children to follow. It has not always been easy, however, I have learned so much and have made great friends in my cohort family. Thank you Evergreen and all the facility for the step into success as I move forward.

* I chose The Evergreen State Masters of Public Administration Tribal Governance Program to become an administrator in public policy, leadership, and multicultural competencies with a non-profit organization. The Evergreen State Colleges is one of the only colleges geared to promote the successful graduation into tribal governance.
* The program offered convenient weekend classes that fit with my position managing a domestic violence/sexual assault  program for a local tribe.
* The biggest take-away for me was the Analytical Techniques I & II comprehensive research bringing together our current and past work as teams and individuals. The amount of critical thinking and statistical data was conformed with law and ethics. I have been able to apply those learning techniques as an Executive board member, manager, and now an Associate Director of a Tribal Coalition.
* The unique platform the MPA uses in seminar and student faculty interaction delivers a greater learning structure by other MPA students and their experiences in the community. It builds as a family offering each other individual talents to each other in the journey to success. I and other of my MPA attended NACI and other National events building contacts to leadership areas governed by national leaders and government to government interactions.
* I would recommend this program to any student wanting to improve their knowledge of tribal governance that is needed for the successful interaction and future of our youth.

