

Application Related Information

Application:	Application Not Verified	Iteration Name:	202410_GR_G
Grad Program Applying To:	MPA	Program Name:	MPA

Recommendation Information

Recommended By:	Mingxia Li	Recommenders Title:	Faculty
Recommenders Institution:	The Evergreen State College	Contact Name:	Sara Petruska
Waive Access to Recommendation Ltrs:	I choose to waive my right to review this recommendation.	Recommendation Waiver Choice:	I choose to waive my right to review this recommendation.
Recommendation Form Submitted:	✓	Recommendation Status:	Received
Received Date:	06/16/2023 02:55 PM	Recommender Assessment:	I recommend this applicant.
Recommendation Type:	General	Recommender Form:	MPA Letter of Recommendation/Form
Recommendation Entity ID:	1024000110034854	Recommendation Owner:	Josephine Bernier

Recommender Form Questions

How long have you known applicant:	several years	Applicant ability as self-directed learner:	extremely strong. self motivated and directed
Time since last contact with applicant:	1 week when she asked me to re	Applicant as productive member of group:	extremely strong. dependable and amiable
Relationship with Applicant:	I was her academic advisor	Applicant most significant strengths:	energetic and superb communication skills.
Ability to complete rigorous grad program:	Excellent	Responsibility/reliability:	Excellent
Communication Skills - Oral:	Outstanding	Communication skills - written:	Excellent
Service Orientation-sensitivity/empathy:	Excellent	Ability to work independently:	Excellent
Ability to handle stress:	Very Good	Ability to think critically:	Excellent
Ability to analyze/problem solve:	Excellent	Ability to think creatively:	Excellent
Openness to feedback:	Outstanding	Potential for leadership:	Outstanding
Ability to work in a team:	Excellent	Personal/professional reflection:	Excellent

Description Information

Description:	Form URL:	https://evergreenstatecollege.radius.net
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Other Information

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June 16, 2023

Office of Admission
Master of Public Administration
The Evergreen State College
Olympia, WA

Ref: Sara Petruska

Dear Admission Officer,

I am writing to recommend Sara Petruska to your Master of Public Administration program. I have known Sara for several years and I was her academic advisor and professor in several classes while she was an undergraduate student at Evergreen-Tacoma. Through these contacts, I get to know Sara well. She was an excellent student who was self-motivated and highly disciplined and strived to achieve her academic goal. She was able to engage in intellectual discourse and in-depth research as an undergraduate. She demonstrated in her study at Evergreen Tacoma the ability to work collaboratively and learn across significant differences. The superb communication skills she exhibited in several team research projects I observed, distinguished her among her peers. She is dependable and is always amiable to this faculty and to her fellow students. Even several years ago, she was already well prepared for advanced study with excellent academic skills in oral and writing communication and critical analysis. She has been working with the WA states human services for several years since her graduation. I would imagine she is now ever more polished and responsible than her impressive undergraduate years. Her service oriented good temperament, as well as her openness to new ideas and feedback will continue to serve her well in her study with MPA.

I have no doubt that Sara Petruska will be successful in her academic study and she will be an asset to your program. Please feel free to contact me for further information regarding Sara Petruska.

Sincerely,

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