

Application Related Information

Application: Application Not Verified
Grad Program Applying To: MPA

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Program Name: MPA

Recommendation Information

Recommended By: Catherine Wineinger
Recommenders Institution: Western Washington University
Waive Access to Recommendation Ltrs: I do not waive my right to review this recommendation.
Recommendation Form Submitted: ✓

Recommenders Title: Assistant Professor

Contact Name: Haby Ba

Recommendation Waiver Choice: I do not waive my right to review this recommendation.

Recommendation Status: Received

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Recommender Assessment: I recommend this applicant.

Recommendation Type: General

Recommender Form: MPA Letter of Recommendation/Form

Recommendation Entity ID: 1024000118000515

Recommendation Owner: Josephine Bernier

Recommender Form Questions

How long have you known applicant:

2 years

Applicant ability as self-directed learner: Haby is a self-directed learner. She is not afraid to ask for help, but I have always been able to count on her to complete assignments. I have no doubt that she will excel in a graduate program.

Time since last contact with applicant:

1 year

Applicant as productive member of group: One of Haby's strengths is her ability to be a productive member of a group. She has strong interpersonal skills, and I have seen her work with other students to accomplish goals (especially in my Congressional Politics class).

Relationship with Applicant:

professor

Applicant most significant strengths: Haby is committed to equity and public service, she is a reliable student, she has strong analytical abilities, and she has demonstrated leadership and interpersonal communication skills.

Ability to complete rigorous grad program: Outstanding

Responsibility/reliability: Outstanding

Communication Skills - Oral: Outstanding

Communication skills - written: Excellent

Service Orientation-sensitivity/empathy: Outstanding

Ability to work independently: Outstanding

Ability to handle stress: Outstanding

Ability to think critically: Outstanding

Ability to analyze/problem solve: Outstanding

Openness to feedback: Outstanding

Ability to work in a team: Outstanding

Ability to think creatively: Outstanding

Potential for leadership: Outstanding

Personal/professional reflection: Outstanding

Description Information

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Other Information

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March 22, 2024

Dear Admissions Committee,

It is my pleasure to recommend Haby Ba for admission into the Master of Public Administration program at the Evergreen State College. I believe Haby's strong academic record, her leadership and interpersonal skills, and her commitment to equity and public service make her an exceptional candidate for this program.

I first met Haby in the spring of 2022 when she was a student in my upper-division political science class, Congressional Politics. In this course, students are tasked with playing a member of Congress in a quarter-long legislative simulation. I will never forget Haby's role as Representative Sharice Davids. Haby took this role seriously, diligently researching Davids' policies and politics, and working with others in her caucus to pass a bill through the House. This course highlighted Haby's exceptional interpersonal skills, as I watched her build relationships with other students, compromise, and work towards collective policy objectives.

Haby was also a student in my upper-division course, Political Polarization. In this class, Haby's final paper on the relationship between social media, racism, and polarization demonstrated her analytical skills and ability to synthesize complex concepts into a cohesive and convincing argument. In addition, Haby contributed to our class discussions in ways that helped move our conversations forward. I knew I could always count on Haby to do the readings and, more importantly, to apply them to current events and lived experiences. In both classes, Haby stands out as a top student.

Haby's commitment to equity and public service has always been clear to me, and it has been such a pleasure to have her in my classes. I am therefore not surprised to hear that she already has some experience in public service at the Department of Retirement Systems. I am looking forward to seeing her continue an impactful career in the public sector.

In short, Haby Ba has my strongest recommendation, as I have no doubt that she will both contribute to and benefit from your program. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with any questions. Thank you for considering Haby as a candidate.

Sincerely,

Catherine N. Wineinger
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