

Application Related Information

Application: Application Incomplete
Grad Program Applying To: MPA

Iteration Name: 202510_GR_G
Program Name: MPA

Recommendation Information

Recommended By: Nathalie Yuen
Recommenders Institution: The Evergreen State College

Recommenders Title: Faculty

Contact Name: Hailey Morris

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

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Recommender Assessment: I recommend this applicant.

Recommendation Type: General

Recommender Form: MPA Letter of Recommendation/Form

Recommendation Entity ID: 1024000111909218

Recommendation Owner: Josephine Bernier

Recommender Form Questions

How long have you known applicant:

2 years

Applicant ability as self-directed learner: The applicant is highly able to be a self-directed learner. As a member of my Undergraduate Research class (2 credits), the applicant completed work with a high level of independence.

Time since last contact with applicant:

Less than 1 week

Applicant as productive member of group: The applicant is highly able to be a productive member of a group. The applicant was both a leader and listener in large- and small-group work, showing strong skills in collaboration.

Relationship with Applicant:

Faculty

Applicant most significant strengths: The applicant has strong critical thinking skills, is ability to work collaboratively, is confident, and is ambitious.

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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February 1, 2024

Dear Graduate School Admissions Committee,

I first met Hailey Morris in July 2022, as part of an outreach program where faculty contacted students who were admitted to Evergreen. Hailey subsequently enrolled in my spring 2023 program, *So You Want to be a Psychologist*, and fall 2023 class, *Undergraduate Research*. Hailey is an outstanding student who excels at both independent and collaborative work. It is my pleasure to write this recommendation in support of Hailey's application to the Master of Public Administration program at Evergreen.

So You Want to be a Psychologist was a 16-credit program where students deepened their understanding of the history and systems of psychology, as well as explored careers in psychology and the academic preparations necessary for these career choices. Hailey completed all of the work and demonstrated excellent critical thinking skills, especially in regard to the open science topics of replication and transparency. Hailey demonstrated strong metacognitive skills through weekly reflective writing assignments. Hailey's contributions in class were relevant and often served not only to move conversation forward, but also to build community with other students in the program. Hailey was both a leader and listener in large- and small-group work, showing strong skills in collaboration. The class also included attending the Western Psychological Association (WPA) annual conference in Riverside, California. At the WPA conference, Hailey was confident and ambitious, for example, asking panelists questions during paper presentations and interacting with presenters during poster sessions. Hailey also demonstrated excellent interpersonal skills by developing professional relationships with other undergraduate students attending the conference.

As a member of the *Undergraduate Research* class (2 credits), Hailey gained experience in designing psychological research studies. This work was completed with a high level of independence. Hailey demonstrated excellent collaborative skills working in a small group that focused on reviewing background literature for an Institutional Review Board (IRB) application.

In addition to the characteristics listed above (i.e., strong critical thinking skills, ability to work collaboratively, confident, and ambitious), Hailey is insightful and can successfully manage multiple projects. Given the knowledge, skills, and abilities that Hailey demonstrated in *So You Want to be a Psychologist* and *Undergraduate Research*, I believe that Hailey will excel in the Master of Public Administration program at Evergreen.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,
C. Nathalie Yuen, Ph.D.
Member of the Faculty, Psychology

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