

Robert Smith

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To Whom It May Concern,

Please accept the following letter and link for consideration of the Director of Sports Operations position at Michigan State University. I heard about this job from administrators at Michigan State and feel that I would be a great candidate for the position. You will see after reviewing my webpage, resume, graduate work, and capstone essays that I have tremendous work experience in both academics and athletics.

I have worked full-time within intercollegiate athletics and have gained significant knowledge in how college athletics affect the university, students, and community in the surround area. While working, I have gained significant work experience that has helped set me up for my next step in intercollegiate athletics. Athletics have provided me a platform to help teach and mentor young student-athletes. Intercollegiate athletics have also taught me valuable life lessons in time commitment, loyalty, and how to out work your competition.

While working full-time, I was also taking graduate classes through the College of Education that have allowed me to bridge the gap between academics and athletics. My graduate program allowed me to take a closer look at student-athletes, how they learn, communicate, and understand information, which ultimately will help me mentor and lead them through their journey of intercollegiate athletics.

The Director of Sports Operations position will allow me to work directly with student-athletes to help mentor them through their time as a student-athlete. This position provides me an opportunity to grow the student-athletes at Michigan State, similarly to the way I have grow myself through my work experience and academic background.

I am an alumnus of Michigan State University, earning a Bachelor's of Science in Kinesiology and a Master's of Arts in Education. I am extremely motivated and excited to put both of my degrees to use in academics and athletics. Given the ability to continue to work for my alma mater will posses an even stronger sense of pride that I take in my role of helping mentor, educate and lead these student-athletes.

I certainly appreciate the time and thank you for your consideration in the position of Director of Operations at Michigan State University.

Sincerely,

Robert Smith