

**1. Recommender's Name:**

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**2. Recommender's Email Address:**

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**3. Applicant's name for which you are providing a recommendation:**

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Miguel Garza Casado

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#### 4. How long have you known the applicant and under what circumstances have you become familiar with the applicant's academic abilities?

##### Text Response

I have known Miguel since he entered our Ph.D. program in political science. I was instrumental in his recruitment to our program after he had completed a Master's degree in Public Policy at the University of Chicago and worked as an applied researcher in Washington, D.C. focusing on development research. I have followed Miguel's progress closely throughout his time in the program and am now his academic advisor for his dissertation. In this capacity I feel confident in offering my strongest recommendation that he be accepted for this internship.

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#### 5. Please assess the applicant's ability to contribute to the Data Science for the Public Good Fellowship Program.

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Miguel is deeply motivated to learn and apply the latest quantitative data in the production of knowledge, and he is exceedingly capable of performing advanced quantitative analysis. Indeed, he has taken advanced statistics and economics coursework not only in our department, but also in Economics at Ohio State and at the University of Chicago. He is thus very comfortable in interdisciplinary settings, and able to absorb new information and apply his formidable analytical and quantitative skills to important problems in the real world. His commitment to bringing research to the service of real-world problems has been evident throughout his academic training and experience, which has combined development research and program assessments in the field, with policy training at the forefront of academic research. Miguel is also just an affable, generous and friendly person who will contribute well to seminars, and will work diligently to achieve individual and collective objectives. Indeed, his discipline and teamwork skills are nowhere better illustrated by the fact that he has been on the University's Water Polo team while pursuing his advanced graduate studies.

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#### 6. How would you describe the applicant's motivation and initiative in pursuing his/her academic and career goals?

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Miguel is extremely motivated in everything he pursues. As mentioned above, he pursued a Master's degree at the University of Chicago, and took the opportunity to study in the Economics department with top scholars in the field. His quest for the sharpest skills to make the most impact with his research led him to our Ph.D. program in political science, which he thought would enable him to make a considerably greater difference in the field of development policy than he had as a research assistant. He has displayed great motivation, discipline and initiative in pursuing opportunities like this one, moreover, as many of his peers would be content to take summer funding from the university to work on their dissertations.

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