

1. Recommender's Name:

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Michael Higgins

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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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Yeng Xiong

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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?

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I am Yeng Xiong's dissertation advisor. She has also taken my causal inference class and my survey sampling methods class. I have known her for two years.

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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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Yeng Xiong is not only a bright student with a stellar academic record, but she is an incredibly clear communicator as well. Moreover, Yeng has significant experience with work and collaboration in the social sciences. A significant component of my work deals with quantitative methodology from problems stemming in the social sciences, and many of the projects that Yeng is working on have significant impacts in those areas, including Political Science and Economics. In fact, the outside member of her dissertation committee is a professor in Political Science. In addition, Yeng is currently collaborating with a professor in Journalism on a project on measuring the media literacy of students and faculty.

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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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Yeng is strongly motivated to accomplish her career goals. Yeng is progressing steadily towards her career goal of, for example, working as a Mathematical Statistician at the U.S. Census Bureau. Yeng has built a strong foundation of relevant coursework, including courses in sampling, experimental design, statistical modeling, and causal inference, that should make her a strong candidate for such a job. In addition, her work is of extremely high quality and clarity.

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