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To whom it may concern,

I am currently a PHD at the university of Paris Dauphine. My work is on industrial organization and Decision theory. My undergraduate studies were in finance and I hold one master in finance from the University of Durham and one master in economics from the university of Edinburgh.

My research is structured around patents, I am very interested in studying patent races, and as such a course with game theoretic subjects would be of great interest to me. The mechanism by which patent races are related to game theory is auction theory. A patent race is formally very similar to second price all-pay auction. I am also very interested in evolutionary games, my third paper is about a discounting decisions which yields a strategies with higher growth rates and hence are more evolutionarily stable.

The program would be a great opportunity for me learn from people who have specific research that is of great interest to me. I am specifically interested in some of the work from Horner around changes in crowd dynamics (a paper he calls Wisdom of the minority).

Sincerely,

Diomides Mavroyiannis