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Dear Kuitai:

Congratulations! On behalf of the Division of the Social Sciences, I am delighted to offer you admission to the University of Chicago for graduate study in the Master of Arts Program in Computational Social Science beginning in Autumn 2021.

Your offer of admission includes the **Quadrangle Scholar Research Award Scholarship** of \$40000 for 2021-2022. For second year funding, scholarship aid will be determined based on your academic performance in the first nine courses.

This decision reflects the confidence of the Computational Social Science faculty in your accomplishments to-date and in your academic and professional promise.

Acceptance of this offer indicates your acceptance of all stated conditions and [terms of the award](#). In keeping with the "[Resolution Regarding Graduate Scholars, Fellows, Trainees, and Assistants](#)" of the Council of Graduate Schools, of which the University of Chicago is a member, we ask that you inform us of your decision no later than **May 10, 2021**, via the online [Reply to Offer of Admission form](#).

Please contact our Admissions Office at ssd-admissions@uchicago.edu with questions.

Rooted in abiding traditions of rigorous inquiry and innovation, and infused with the energy of one of the world's great cities, the Division's scholars engage in transformative research that empowers knowledge and enriches human life. Again, we congratulate you and invite you to join us in advancing new ways of thinking that can change the world.

Sincerely,



Kelly Therese Pollock
Dean of Students

Financial Aid

Itemization of Package	Amount in 2021 -2022
Quadrangle Scholar Research Award Scholarship	\$40000
Total Package	\$40000

Your Obligations	Amount (Estimated) in 2021-2022
Total Tuition*	\$62640
University Student Health Insurance Plan (U -SHIP)**^	\$4566
Graduate Student Services Fee**	\$1248
Lifetime Transcript Fee**	\$75
Total Anticipated Direct Costs after Scholarship is Applied†	\$28529

On the next page you will find information about ways to finance your degree program.

*Note: Projected tuition for 2021-2022 has not yet been confirmed and is subject to change.

**Note: These are estimates based on the current costs for the 2020-2021 academic year.

^Students wishing to waive out of the University Student Health Insurance Plan (U-SHIP) coverage must affirm possession of alternate comparable coverage before the enrollment/waiver deadline. Students who do not enroll in or waive the student insurance plan by the deadline will by default be enrolled in U-SHIP and remain enrolled in U-SHIP through the end of the plan year, and thus will be responsible for the annual premium, which is billed quarterly.

†Direct Costs indicate costs paid directly to the University of Chicago. The full cost of attendance may include other costs to the student, including housing and food.

Please note that funding support may be subject to federal or state income tax withholding and you may be required to make quarterly estimated income tax payments to the IRS and State of Illinois.

In accepting this offer, you also accept the conditions described in the [Terms & Conditions for Offers of Masters Admission for 2021-2022](#). PLEASE READ CAREFULLY.

Financing Your Education

The Master of Arts Program in Computational Social Science is committed to helping you realize your academic and professional goals. The information found below explains the financial obligations that come with a graduate degree and the resources available to assist you in meeting those obligations.

So that you can make a fully informed decision regarding your offer of admission, please carefully read this document and the [Terms & Conditions for Offers of Masters Admission for 2021-2022](#).

Then consider taking the following steps:

1. Using the estimates for tuition and living expenses (see below), determine what portion of these costs will be unmet by your own financial contribution.
2. Apply for loans and/or work-study eligibility through the UChicago Office of Graduate Financial Aid as outlined in the "Next Steps" section below.
3. Apply for any outside scholarships or fellowships for which you are eligible (see resources listed below).
4. Consider working part-time during the program. It is common for MA students to work on campus. Given the intense academic demands of our programs, we recommend starting with 5 hours per week and seeing if you can handle 10. See the [UChicago Student Manual](#) for details about limitations on work while classes are in session.

Tuition and Living Expenses

Tuition for a full-time MA student in 2021-2022 is expected to be \$62640. In addition to the other direct costs listed in the chart of your obligations, the University's Office of Graduate Financial Aid provides [additional estimates on their website](#) for the cost of room and board, as well as books, and other costs. These are only general estimates; your own needs and expenses may vary. Many students find that they are able to pay substantially less for their living expenses, by living in shared apartments, reducing unnecessary travel, and purchasing second-hand books.

Financial Assistance Resources

Loans and Work-Study

What is Available?

- Federal Work-Study: Federally subsidized part-time work for qualified students
- Federal Loans: The Federal Perkins Loan and The Federal Direct Unsubsidized Stafford Loan
- Credit-Based Loans: Federal Direct Graduate PLUS and Alternative/Private Loans that require a credit check

Who is Eligible?

- U.S. citizens, nationals, and permanent residents who enroll at least half-time, are not in default on a Federal student loan, and maintain satisfactory academic progress are generally eligible to apply for Federal loans and work-study assistance.
- International students: Ineligible for Federal assistance, international students may apply only for an Alternative/Private loan. While work-study assistance is not available, on-campus employment is possible.

Next Steps

- Domestic students: Complete the [Free Application for Federal Student Aid](#) (FAFSA). When filing your FAFSA, add our Federal school code (001774).
- International Students: contact [Graduate Financial Aid](#) to inquire about Alternative/Private loan options.
- If you are planning to work part-time, use the [UChicagoGRAD website](#) to search for jobs on campus. Positions will be posted beginning in mid-summer.

External Fellowships and Scholarships

What is available?

- UChicagoGRAD maintains a searchable [fellowship database](#).
- FastWeb also has a [database of fellowships and scholarships](#) for first-year graduate students.

The [Office of International Affairs](#) (OIA) lists numerous [resources](#) for international students looking for aid.

Response Form

Remember to accept the offer of admission and scholarship award by **May 10, 2021** using the [online response form](#).

Additional Questions?

We know that the financial planning for your investment in a graduate education involves many variables and can be daunting at times. The University of Chicago has a number of offices dedicated to helping you find the answers you need to make the best decision about your future.

If you have questions about your offer of admission or the resources available to finance your degree, please contact the staff in the Master of Arts Program in Computational Social Science.