To the admission commission:

I want to express my interest and motivation to participate in the deep learning summer school program.

I graduated in Psychology with an honours degree from the University of Groningen in 2021. Within the program, I have enjoyed a thorough education in statistics that ranged from classical frequentist statistics (NHST, ANOVA, generalised linear regression modeling) to Bayesian approaches. I have mainly used SPSS and R in data analyses and project work at my former alma mater. Currently, I am a student at the University of Amsterdam as part of a pre-master program in psychological methodology. Here, I have completed mathematics courses (calculus and matrix algebra) and statistics and programming in R. In July, I will also have completed courses in multivariate statistics, machine learning, and bayesian statistics. Prior to my education in the Netherlands, I was a student in the Biology department at the Ludwig Maximilian University in Munich. During my time at the university, I completed mathematics courses (linear differential equations were the most sophisticated concepts in the curriculum). I also have some personal experience in python.

I am especially interested in deep learning algorithms as they are the basis for synthetic media such as deepfakes. I am worried that advances in synthetic media will be hazardous to interpersonal relationships and societal cohesion more generally. Participation in this summer school will be an excellent opportunity for me to learn more about deep learningIn addition, I will be a graduate student in Artificial Intelligence and Adaptive Systems at the University of Sussex starting in September 2022, and I want to transfer my knowledge from the summer school into my graduate studies.

Thank you for considering my application. I am looking forward to hearing from you.

Most sincerely,



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