

April 10, 2007

Dean David Daleke
Associate Dean
University Graduate School
Indiana University
Bloomington, IN 47405

Dear Dean Daleke:

I am writing to request that Professor Kim Huynh be given permission to serve on my dissertation committee. My dissertation essays involve estimation of dynamic stochastic general equilibrium models, for which Professor Huynh has knowledge and experience. I first learned these concepts as a student in Professor Huynh's graduate research seminar, E724: Topic in Empirical Macroeconomics. Professor Huynh continues to provide advice and guidance to me. I continue to learn more about these methods and at a deeper level, and I have been able to apply these techniques to answer new economic questions in my dissertation research.

Professor Eric Leeper, a senior faculty member with a distinguished research record, is the dissertation committee chair, and he will continue to serve as my primary source for guidance for my dissertation research.

Sincerely,

James Murray
Ph.D. Candidate
Department of Economics
Indiana University
Bloomington, IN 47405