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Dear Mohammad:

Congratulations! We are delighted to **offer you admission into the PhD program in Epidemiology and Biostatistics with concentration in Epidemiology at the University of Memphis School of Public Health beginning Fall 2025**. This acceptance is contingent upon verification of your credentials by the University of Memphis Graduate School.

The Admissions Committee takes great care in identifying individuals with outstanding academic credentials and appropriate research interests. Your admission to this program reflects the Admissions Committee's confidence in your potential as a public health professional, as well as recognition of your fine academic achievements and other scholarly accomplishments. We believe you have much to contribute to the intellectual vitality and the critical public health needs of our community. Dr. Chunrong Jia has kindly agreed to serve as your PhD Advisor. Although your assigned advisor is your primary contact person, you will be encouraged to work with other faculty members and invite them to serve on your PhD Advisory Committee.

To advance your career goals, the Dean will fund your membership (savings of \$85 per year for the duration of your studies) to the American Public Health Association (APHA), the critical organization for public health students to be involved in. APHA offers invaluable opportunities to participate in research and service groups, present and share findings, and network with peers across the U.S. to enhance future professional and scholarly opportunities.

We request that you inform us by email whether you accept or decline this admission offer within two weeks. If you decide to accept this offer, you will need to complete the admission process with the Graduate School at the University of Memphis and begin registration process in consultation with your faculty advisor. We hope that you decide to join us and be part of this exciting PhD program in the School of Public Health.

Your application may be considered for Graduate Assistantship. You may receive a notification by the school. You may also be eligible for:

- [Healthy Memphis Common Table Assistantship](#). You must be enrolled in a SPH program and participate in any scholarly activity within SPH. Scholarships are not guaranteed for each eligible applicant.

- [APHA Travel Award](#), if you have an accepted presentation annual American Public Health Association conference. Scholarships are not guaranteed for each eligible applicant.

You may find more information about scholarships from other sources [here](#).

### **PhD admission offer acceptance**

Please inform us of your decision no later than **April 7, 2025**, by signing this letter below and returning it via email to the Program Coordinator. In accordance with the Council of Graduate Schools' (CGS) resolution, you may consider other offers of financial support until the deadline, but any decision after April 7, 2025, is an obligation that you are expected to honor. Likewise, we will honor this offer until the April 7, 2025, deadline i.e., after which point it will be rescinded unless you are informed in writing that the deadline for a decision has been extended. Although you are under no obligation to accept this offer prior to the deadline, please let us know as soon as you have made a decision so that we may extend offers to other prospective students if possible. By accepting this offer, you are agreeing to enroll at the University of Memphis in the semester stated above.

Sincerely,



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