Hi everyone,

My name is Chen Wang, and now I live in Santa Monica.

I am from Taiwan. I got my master's degree in material science in Taiwan and I had worked at TSMC in Taiwan for eight years. Two years ago, I decided to quit my job to reset my career. I am tired of staying in a closed company with numerous human restrictions to ensure data security, therefore, I want to change my major. Since the movie ‘Money ball’ and the success of ‘The Houston Astros’ in baseball, I am intrigued by Data Science (I realize that Astros maybe will be regarded as a cheater nowadays, but in 2018, people do not think so). That’s why I choose Data Science certificated in UCLA extension. I consider it will be a good connection before I start to enroll in my second master's degree in the upcoming fall.

This course absolutely shocks me because I did not notice it’s a course that we must use a lot of R. I originally imagine that this course will be extended into the application of Python (follow the course ‘introduction of data science’ to dig into more study from Python), but I think it will still be useful for me in my future career. Indeed, I plan to be proficient in Python/SQL/R or C before I start my career, so that does matter to me.

I am interested in sports, just like Ally and Kim, especially baseball and basketball. Also, I enjoy watching political programs and listening to political analysts do any criticism. I understand that sometimes they use numerous data to do analysis (Actually, it’s a place where people use a lot of data science skills). That’s being said, I used the baseball/COVID raw data to do my homework in the last semester, SO I prefer to change to a different field to complete all the homework in this course.