## Why are you applying for Financial Aid? (150 words minimum required)

I am a machine learning enthusiast from India. I have recently lost my job and have no other source of income. I come from a lower middle-class family and my finances are a little on the lower side. I live on a mere monthly pocket money of \$100 per month which is not enough to avail the course fee. Hence, I wish to take this course so as to prepare for job interviews which will help me secure a job which will be my first step towards making a career in machine/deep learning.

I am in desperate need of financial aid to help me sail through this journey at this critical point of my life. If I get access to this financial aid, I would be extremely grateful to Coursera. Once I land up a job, I will take more paid courses to enhance my career and try to return this favor in whatever way possible.

## How will taking this course help you achieve your career goals? (150 words minimum required)

I am a machine learning enthusiast. I have learnt concepts of machine learning through various free online documentations. Now, I want to learn a few new concepts on deep learning. I have gone through a few video lectures during the trial period and found that Mr. Andrew Ng's explanations are very useful in understanding the nuances of deep learning. I have also heard from my friends that this course is a useful course with many of the mathematical concepts being taught in a very effective way. Hence, I wish to opt for this course which will help me take my first steps in the field of machine/deep learning. Deep learning is a very challenging yet interesting area of study with many cutting-edge applications coming in the past few years such as image processing, building chatbots, automating complex decision making processes, etc. Deep learning will also have many other interesting applications in the years to come. Hence, I want to take this course which will help me kick start my career in deep learning.

## Would you consider using a low-interest loan to pay for your courses?

No

## If you answered no, please help us understand why.

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