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Dear Diego Clemente Ayala-McCormick:

Congratulations! On behalf of the Department of Sociology, I am happy to inform you that you have been admitted into the Ph.D. Program in Sociology at Johns Hopkins University, beginning in the 2022 Fall Semester. Graduate studies have a special place at an intensely research oriented institution such as Johns Hopkins. We strongly believe in your potential, and are very excited to have you join our community of scholars. We look forward to working with you to advance the field.

It is my further pleasure to inform you that you have been awarded a financial package that provides full tuition, health insurance coverage, and a 12-month stipend. You can expect this support to continue for five years (10 semesters), assuming satisfactory progress. For enrollment in the 2022-2023 academic year, this support is as follows:

100% Full-time tuition ( <i>approximately</i> )	\$59,000
Student health insurance ( <i>approximately</i> )	\$2,800
Stipend	\$33,000
Total Support Provided	<hr/> \$94,800

Students who receive fellowships or funding from outside the University must report this information to the Chair of the Department to work out an overall package. Your participation and continuation in the graduate program are subject to University and departmental policies and academic progress requirements. For more information, please visit <http://homewoodgrad.jhu.edu/>.

PhD students in our department are expected to remain in good standing with their coursework and requirements. It is standard practice in our department for students to serve as a teaching or research assistant for six semesters. The formal policy of the Krieger School of Arts and Sciences is that no student will serve as a teaching or research assistant for more than six semesters total (over a period of ten semesters of funding). As a graduate student you are expected to carry out your teaching assignments effectively in support of the department's academic program. Occasionally students will be awarded teaching opportunities beyond the fifth year, with additional fellowship support, as a further opportunity to extend their training and professional development. Johns Hopkins also has resources available to PhD students to further train them in teaching pedagogy and resources relevant to students' professional development in areas outside of teaching.

As a newly matriculating student, you will be assessed a one-time Matriculation Fee of \$500.

#### **Health Insurance**

The Johns Hopkins University requires health insurance for all full-time students while in residence. The Krieger School of Arts and Sciences will provide medical coverage offered through the University Student Health Plan while you are enrolled as a full-time student. You will be able to purchase coverage for dependents if you wish.

U.S. citizens and permanent residents can make a request to waive coverage if they have other comparable insurance. All graduate students are required to meet the University's pre-entrance health requirements and provide proof of immunity to certain communicable diseases prior to registration. Further specific information can be found at <http://studenthealth.johnshopkins.edu>.

### **Graduate Resources and Orientation**

The Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs website (<http://homewoodgrad.jhu.edu/>) contains a wealth of information about campus life, including information about housing, orientation, student organizations and living in Baltimore.

Newly enrolled graduate students are required to attend a mandatory university graduate student orientation, typically held about a week before the start of classes. More information will be posted online in the spring: <http://grad.jhu.edu/admitted-students/orientation/>. The first day of classes for the upcoming year is August 29, 2022.

### **International Students**

If you are an international student, once you have accepted our offer and your enrollment has been processed, you will be contacted by the Office of International Services (OIS) via email to complete the steps needed to issue a Certificate of Eligibility (I-20 or DS-2019 form). These include the electronic Supplemental Information Form, a .pdf copy of the biographical & photo page of your passport, .pdf copies of a recent bank statement, and a .pdf copy of your acceptance letter from Johns Hopkins University. After you have sent your financial information and your acceptance of our offer, please register for your I-20 to be sent express at <https://study.eshipglobal.com/>. You will find additional information for new students at [https://ois.jhu.edu/Immigration and Visas/For New Students and Scholars/For Students/](https://ois.jhu.edu/Immigration%20and%20Visas/For%20New%20Students%20and%20Scholars/For%20Students/)

Questions should be directed to the Office of International Services, <http://ois.jhu.edu/>, at email: [ois@jhu.edu](mailto:ois@jhu.edu) or phone: (+1) 667-208-7001.

We would be happy to host you for a visit prior to your decision and will reimburse you up to \$300 in travel costs and assist you with a place to stay while in Baltimore. Professor Christy Thornton ([christy.thornton@jhu.edu](mailto:christy.thornton@jhu.edu)) will be your faculty liaison and serve as your initial point of contact for arranging your visit and answering questions. If you are unable to visit, I will arrange for other options to help you appreciate the opportunities here and put you in contact with faculty and current graduate students. You are also welcome to contact me directly. As Department Chair, I am available to answer whatever questions you might have.

Please inform us of your decision no later than April 16, 2022, by following the instructions below my signature. Again, I extend my heartfelt congratulations. I am looking forward to welcoming you as a new graduate student in the Department of Sociology at the Johns Hopkins University.

Sincerely,



Ho-Fung Hung  
Henry M. and Elizabeth P. Wiesenfeld Professor in Political Economy & Chair

Please follow the instructions on below to ensure your decision is processed in a timely manner.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**accept** the offer in this letter.

**decline** the offer in this letter.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please follow these instructions to ensure your decision is processed in a timely manner.

1. Print, sign, and scan this letter and return as a .pdf to our Academic Program Coordinator at [sociology@jhu.edu](mailto:sociology@jhu.edu)
2. Log into the JHU application website (<https://applygrad.jhu.edu/apply/>) and on your status page enter your decision. As indicated on the application form, you will also be asked on this website to disclose information regarding any criminal background you may have. Please be aware that this offer of admission is conditional, depending on receipt and evaluation of final semester grades (if relevant) and depending on consideration of any relevant criminal background disclosure.
3. If you accept our offer, you must contact your institution to have your **official academic transcripts** sent directly to the Office of **Graduate Admissions and Enrollment**, W601 Wyman Park Building 3400 N. Charles St., Baltimore, MD 21218.
4. If you experience any problems with the application system, please contact the Graduate Admissions Office at [graduateadmissions@jhu.edu](mailto:graduateadmissions@jhu.edu). For more instructions and information, please visit the [Newly Admitted Students](#) page of the Graduate Admissions website.