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Dear Diego Ayala,

Congratulations! We are delighted to inform you that you have been selected for admission as a full-time Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) student in Sociology starting in the 2022 fall term. Your selection indicates the faculty's recognition of your accomplishments and of your promise in your field. We welcome you to our community of scholars and the rich tradition of intellectual life at Yale.

Graduate Education, Professional Training, and Financial Aid

Doctoral students at Yale normally complete their degrees in five to six years. To support you in your progress towards your degree, we are pleased to award you a financial aid package that includes a tuition fellowship that will cover the annual cost of your tuition (\$46,900) and will provide you an initial annual stipend of \$36,300. This package, available while you are enrolled, includes twelve months of university or external funding for five years, and begins on August 31, 2022. Funding will come from a combination of University Fellowships, Teaching Fellowships, and a one-year Dissertation Fellowship to work exclusively on the dissertation. Academic-year funding may also be available in year six for students who qualify. All stipends, fellowships, and teaching assignments are contingent on satisfactory academic progress.

Because you received an application fee waiver, we are also pleased to offer you a relocation award of \$1,000 to facilitate your move to Yale and the New Haven area. If you accept our offer of admission, the award will be included in your first stipend check on August 31st.

Students admitted to Yale often win external fellowships and awards from other sources. External awards are subject to our [Combined Award](#) policy. If you will be receiving financial awards from outside sources or have questions about how an award will combine with Yale's financial support, please notify the [Graduate Financial Aid Office](#). The [Graduate Writing Lab](#) provides support for students wishing to apply for grants and fellowships.

Additional Financial Support

We are pleased to provide all registered Ph.D. students with comprehensive health care coverage through [Yale Health](#), at no charge, including primary care and Hospitalization/Specialty Coverage and prescription coverage. If a student elects health care coverage for a spouse at Yale Health, the Graduate School will provide half of the cost of coverage for the Two-Person Plan.

We also provide generous support for Ph.D. students with children, which includes health care coverage for dependent children. In addition, [Ph.D. students are eligible to receive a family subsidy](#) to help support a child under the age of 18, plus an additional subsidy for each additional child under the age of six. This supplement will cover the additional premium cost of a spouse under the Family Health Plan,

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or if students have other options for spousal health care, they may use the supplement to cover the costs of child care or other family expenses.

Yale offers unmatched grant and fellowship opportunities for students doing international research. Following completion of pre-dissertation requirements, the MacMillan Center provides up to \$18,000 in approved dissertation research expenses for Ph.D. students doing research outside of the United States. In addition, MacMillan provides yearly conference funds to present on international issues at conferences, and its councils and programs provide additional [competitive grants](#) to support Yale students' international language and pre-dissertation research, as well as the Fox International Fellowship program that sends 15 or more students each year to [partner universities](#) around the world.

Teaching at Yale

Learning to teach is also regarded as fundamental to the education of all graduate students and is essential to their professional development, so students typically assist in teaching for four terms. Students will find significant support for their teaching through the [Poorvu Center for Teaching and Learning](#), including the opportunity to participate in the Center's Certificate in Teaching Program.

COVID-19 Safety Response

At Yale, we are constantly monitoring and adapting to the COVID-19 situation to ensure the health and safety of our community. Immunization against COVID-19 is required for all Yale students, faculty, and staff. Updates on this and other COVID-related questions can be found at [Yale COVID Information](#). Please check this page regularly, as guidelines/requirements may shift in response to changing conditions. Feel free to email gsas.safetyteam@yale.edu if you have questions on COVID safety or rules. If you are an international student with questions about visas or travel restrictions, please contact our [Office of International Students and Scholars \(OISS\)](#).

Next Step: Reply to Offer of Admission

I hope that you will choose to join us at Yale next fall by accepting this offer of admission and support. When you are ready, please return to your Application Status Portal and submit the [Reply Form](#) to formally accept or decline your offer of admission. You must reply to this offer by April 15, 2022; however, we encourage you to submit your Reply Form earlier if you have come to a decision.

Additionally, please read the statement from the [Council of Graduate Schools](#) concerning offers and acceptances of financial aid. If you have accepted an offer from another institution for next fall, you must inform them that you are withdrawing your acceptance of the offer prior to accepting our offer.

Preparing to Enroll

Students who accept an offer of admission will receive additional information on completing pre-enrollment requirements, including how to submit official transcripts and medical documentation. Here are some important dates to keep in mind:

- April 15, 2022: Deadline to submit [Reply Form](#).
- mid-April 2022: Application for on-campus housing opens. Note that on-campus housing is limited in supply and is not guaranteed. Please visit the [Graduate Housing](#) website for more

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information.

- July 15, 2022: Official transcripts are due to Admissions.
- August 1, 2022: Required health history and vaccination records are due to Yale Health.

Dates for orientation and the start of classes will be announced in the future. Additional information for incoming students is also available on the [New Graduate Student](#) gateway.

Additionally, please review our [Financial Information](#) document, which contains important information about financial aid, academic and living costs, external awards, employment opportunities, and loans. Policies and procedures outlined in the GSAS [Programs and Policies](#) bulletin apply to all GSAS students. Please consult the bulletin and your program for more information on the typical path for students in your discipline. The Director of Graduate Studies (DGS) of your program, Rene Almeling (rene.almeling@yale.edu), and the program registrar, Yashika Williams (yashika.williams@yale.edu), are available to answer any questions you may have.

Once again, we congratulate you and look forward to welcoming you to the Yale Graduate School of Arts and Sciences.

Sincerely,

Lynn Cooley

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