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To Whom It May Concern:

I take this opportunity to introduce my colleague, Paul Carlin, the Chair of the Economics Department in the Indiana University School of Liberal Arts at IUPUI. The IUPUI Department of Economics was authorized by the Trustees of Indiana University in 2009 to establish a Ph.D. program in Economics. That program is now established and we are welcoming our third cohort of entering students this coming fall.

Prior to the establishment of the Ph.D. program, our Department of Economics was recognized as one of the top 200 research programs in the world and the top 80 in the USA. Consistent with this level of excellence and its desire to continuously improve its performance, the Department seeks to recruit excellent students from the top international universities in the world. Professor Carlin and his colleague, Assistant Professor, Ye Zhang, are visiting Beijing and Shanghai to discuss our program with academic leaders at the top universities in those cities. The intent is to increase our pool of applicants from the best Chinese universities.

With the support of the School of Liberal Arts, the Department offers a generous stipend and fee remission for the five years of study the degree typically requires. The Department has offered a Master's degree program for almost twenty years and during that time its students have been well placed into professional jobs in the private and public sector both in the USA and with multi-national companies. We expect the doctoral graduates of our department to enjoy an even better placement record. The main field area for the degree is health economics which provides a robust market for those with doctoral degrees. I understand it has been the fastest growing field for non-academic placement of economists over the past few years.

It would be a great kindness if you can welcome Professors Carlin and Zhang to learn about our excellent program and faculty. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via e-mail at blomquis@iupui.edu or via telephone at Int+1-317-274-8448.

Regards,

William Blomquist
Dean