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Dear Professor Chen,

We are delighted to offer you a Visiting Scholar appointment at the Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies in Harvard University's Faculty of Arts and Sciences, visiting from your tenure-track position as Associate Professor in the Department of Social Policy and Development Study at China Agricultural University. Your appointment will begin on January 1, 2025, and end on December 31, 2025. Your appointment is intended to facilitate work with Harvard faculty in Chinese Studies, in particular with Professor Ya-Wen Lei. The research will focus on your proposed topic, "A Comparative Study of Platform Work in the Era of Artificial Intelligence between China and America." We look forward to your academic contributions to the field of Chinese studies and to our Fairbank Center community of scholars. During your appointment, you are expected to adhere to all Harvard University rules, policies, and requirements.

This appointment is conditional on funding and institutional review. All appointments are contingent upon approval of an appropriate visa as required by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). The Harvard International Office (HIO) helps individuals secure visas and other appropriate documentation allowing them to enter the United States and pursue their activities at Harvard. If you need such assistance, and as federal regulations permit, HIO will assist you in the process of obtaining temporary visa status. The United States government, however, remains the final arbiter of all immigration-related cases. Furthermore, the United States Department of State visa services at all United States embassies and consulates may be delayed or otherwise impacted by a variety of conditions. It is ultimately the responsibility of the individual appointee to ensure they obtain an appropriate entry visa and any other required authorization prior to arrival at Harvard for their appointment term.





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This full-time visiting scholar appointment will be unpaid. Please note that the appointment and US visa process will require you to confirm that you have sufficient funding to support living expenses and required health insurance for the duration of the appointment for yourself and for any dependents accompanying your visit. Please be aware that housing and living expenses in the Boston area are very high. The Harvard International Office recommends having a minimum of US\$35,000 for one year plus an additional US\$6,500 per dependent.

This appointment is not benefits-eligible. If you are coming to Harvard on a J-1 visa, the terms of your visa require you to purchase health insurance. More information can be found at <http://www.hio.harvard.edu/j-visa-regulations-regarding-health-insurance-requirements>.

The health of our community is a priority for Harvard University. With that in mind, we strongly encourage all appointees to be up to date on CDC-recommended vaccines.

This visiting scholar appointment within the Faculty of Arts and Sciences will provide you with a Harvard ID card, which will allow you to use all Harvard Library resources and to establish a Harvard email account. The Fairbank Center has very limited shared office space for use by visiting scholars. The Harvard libraries have carrels and study areas available for use by researchers.

We look forward to your presence in our intellectual community. The Fairbank Center has a range of activities including academic events and lecture series. The Center is greatly enriched by the active participation of its affiliates, and we do hope to see you at many of our activities.

The Fairbank Center charges an administrative fee of US\$1000 for the Visiting Scholars Program. Please find the invoice attached on the final page of this letter. We would like to let you know in advance that we cannot extend or renew this one-year visiting scholar appointment.

If you accept this appointment, please review and submit to Harriet Wong an electronic PDF of a signed hard copy of the Harvard University Visitor Participation Agreement, which is designed to help carry out the Harvard University Intellectual Property Policy and other research policies: http://files.vpr.harvard.edu/files/vpr-documents/files/visitor_pa_for_unaffiliated_individuals_and_visitors_from_foreign_non-profits_final_11-7-14.pdf.





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For information about other FAS and University policies pertaining to your appointment, please see the *FAS Appointment and Promotion Handbook* (<https://academic-appointments.fas.harvard.edu/>). Information about Harvard's many cultural and intellectual resources can be found at <https://news.harvard.edu/gazette/harvard-events/>.

We are excited to welcome you to the Fairbank Center community and we look forward to seeing you here at Harvard next academic year!

Please contact our Program Coordinator, Harriet Wong at harriettwong@fas.harvard.edu if you have any questions about our visiting scholars program.

Sincerely,

Mark Wu
Henry L. Stimson Professor of Law
Director, Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies

Dorinda Elliott
Executive Director, Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies

