

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Yi Jiao (Angelina) Tian and I am a graduate of the MSc. Bioethics and Society programme at King's from 2019/20. This letter is to support the continued presence of this programme from the perspective of a student.

I found the programme and its lecturers to be immensely supportive and understanding, providing us with individual guidance on request and space to explore our own areas of interest within the field of bioethics. As to succeed in our field and to have a voice among other bioethicists, we need not learn the "rules of the trade", which were taught and reinforced well by the lecturers, but also have our own standpoints and lines of argumentation. I particularly found great encouragement during my time at the programme towards the latter, whereby I recall my fellow colleagues to each have their own area of interest within bioethics, whether that be ultrasound ethics, clinical ethics, end of life ethics, or ethics of AI.

As the time of my studies potentially already indicates, I was the first cohort of students who experienced the first wave of the COVID pandemic. Whilst this certainly presented a challenge to keep in contact with my colleagues, Prof. Silvia Camporesi immediately integrated this into her annual course on clinical ethics and allowed a lively discussion on the possible contributions for bioethicists during this period. Through this lecture, which was held completely online and was surprisingly smooth and without technical errors, I realized that I could participate in other similar seminars held by external organizations as the narrative during the pandemic in our field was still very diverse and even divergent. Upon this realization, I opted to dedicate my seminar paper to write about the extremely time-relevant topic of triage and triage committees, which then became my first published paper (doi: 10.1007/s11673-021-10132-0) in a high-impact journal in bioethics.

I am currently working within the field of bioethics on a 100% paid Ph.D. fellowship at the Institute of Biomedical Ethics at the University of Basel. My scholarship is confirmed to support my education until the end of my Ph.D. studies. I do not believe that this opportunity would be possible without the support of my colleagues, my publication before beginning of Ph.D., and most importantly, without the MSc. Bioethics & Society programme.

If there are any questions or need for clarification, I am happy to provide anything at your request. I am available for contact at: [Angelina.tian@unibas.ch](mailto:Angelina.tian@unibas.ch)

Best regards,

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