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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to invite Professor Yan Yan to be part of an ongoing research project at the Center for Phenomenological Research at Stony Brook University. The Center is an internationally recognized institution that invites researchers from many countries, including China. It selects and supports only those who have proven themselves to be outstanding in their fields, as is the case with Professor Yan Yan.

The Center invites her for one year of research at the Center beginning in September 2022. Over her period at Stony Brook University, the Center will be responsible for part of Yan Yan's financial obligation, and she will be given an office in which to work, access to the university library, health services on campus, etc. Neither tuition nor fee will be charged if she attends classes that are not related to this project but for the purpose of academic development of the school of education at Huai Bei Normal University with which she is currently affiliated. All of this is to support and promote an understanding of phenomenology from the point of view of Chinese culture. Costs such as accommodation and traveling expenses will be on her part.

The program of which she will be part is funded by Stony Brook University. I am responsible for helping to select those from different countries on the basis of their academic performances to date. We emphasize projects in liberal arts, not in empirical science. We have chosen Professor Yan Yan to join us on the basis of the excellence of her many accomplishments.

Professor Yan Yan aims to explore various links between phenomenology and Chinese culture in order to promote mutual respect and understanding

rather than concentrating on conflicts between east and west. We appreciate very much Professor Yan Yan's previous research, which represents the nature of ancient Chinese culture and thus assists us in getting a better understanding of how ancient Chinese philosophers viewed the world.

Let me add, finally, that Stony Brook University has taken extreme measures to contain the spread of covid on the campus.

Yours Sincerely,

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