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Dear Josh:

Thanks for your comments regarding difficulties of loan programs for university students. For a variety of reasons - economic, institutional, and psychological - we believe that a loan program is not a suitable mechanism of student support for graduate students. The only possible exception is perhaps the medical student and there we believe that a loan program combined with either a forgiveness mechanism based on public service or a repayment plan based on income tax might serve better than the present system. I think your idea of capitalization of the loans is an intriguing one and we shall inject it into the deliberations now going on.

I hope to be out at Stanford once or twice this summer. Perhaps we can get together on one or another of these trips.

Best regards,



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