## **Transdisciplinary talent**

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## Assignment for the Doctoral Candidates in Applied Economics of the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania <sup>1</sup>

- **1.** Explain in a concise essay (less than 12,500 words), the self-evident theory that talent is always and necessarily transdisciplinary;
- 2. Illustrate the concept in a concise essay (less than 25,000 words), by demonstrating that a child prodigy such as 18<sup>th</sup> Century Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart would be the fastest runner and swimmer, and also the most talented hockey player and downhill skier in the next Olympic Games;
- 3. Further elaborate in a concise essay (less than 250,000 words), by establishing without a doubt that a wealthy contemporary businessman such Mr. Élan Mosque is necessarily, and quite obviously, the best suited at razing to the ground the economic environment of the common American, considering that, as of 2025, the federal minimum wage is \$7.25 per hour while Mr. Mosque's hourly income was, between 2013 and 2022, \$17,582,987.55 per workable hour <sup>2</sup> (seventeen million five hundred and eighty two thousand nine hundred and eighty seven dollars and fifty five cents per hour);
- **4.** Further refine the concept in a concise essay (less than 250,000,000 words), in which you shall prove unquestionably that his undisputed talent at receiving from others considerably more than he gives them makes Mr. Mosque the most adequate manager of the economic destinies of the poorer <sup>3</sup> and also makes him, quite deservedly, the reincarnation of the justly venerated Saint Vincent de Paul.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The current President's alma mater

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> On the basis of 1,928 workable hours per year

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Kindly note that since he is wealthier than anybody on the planet, everybody else is poorer