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Date

To whom it may concern

I am excited to submit my application for the Software Engineer position at . I am a committed and responsible team player, looking to start my career in software development. I believe my abilities, desire to further my skills in the field, and my previous work experience in a variety of fields would make me a valuable addition to your team.

While researching , I was really interested in the role that easy payments processing and collection can play in developing communities further. The greater access to financial services such as home loans and digital payments afforded to ordinary South Africans, the easier it will become to develop South Africa's digital capabilities and increase growth and development in this way.

With a completed Master's degree in International Relations and experience in the diplomatic and social development research fields, I decided to transition into a career in the tech space. As a result, I enrolled in a Software Engineering course at HyperionDev. During my course I learnt Python, Java, and SQL. I created over 30 programs in these languages. I also performed tasks involving problem solving and complex mathematics such as k-means algorithms. I completed my course with a 98% average.

My work experience and education required working under tight deadlines and thinking creatively. I believe my experience has demonstrated my skills in data collection, management and processing, as well as in communication.

At I contributed to two reports on social development in South Africa, as part of the Impact Investing team. As part of this team I also participated in workshops involving various foundations in South Africa, including the Standard Bank Tutuwa Community Foundation and the SAB Foundation. During my work at the European Union Delegation, I compiled briefing documents which required me to collect information on a variety of issues and collate and synthesise this into a report.

While writing my Master's thesis on power dynamics within the world of international football, I constructed an original database using Microsoft Excel. I analysed the data to explain how it illustrated a level of bias within FIFA structures, looking at associations' rankings at the time of their suspension, and at which continent each association is located on.

I am keen to learn more about software development and gain new skills and abilities while building upon the skills and abilities which I possess. Thank you for considering my application and I look forward to hearing back from you soon and discussing this opportunity further.

Best regards,