

**John Doe**

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I wanted to address the gap in my employment history from January 2023 to January 2024.

I took time off to focus on personal development and skill-building. During this period, I [specific actions - e.g., 'completed online courses in UX design, worked on personal projects, and attended industry conferences'].

During this 1 year break, I remained engaged with the industry through [specific actions - e.g., 'freelance projects, online learning, attending webinars, or working on personal projects']. I'm now ready to return to full-time work and I'm excited about the opportunity to bring fresh perspectives and renewed energy to [position/company name].

I'm confident that the skills and experiences I've gained during this time, combined with my previous professional background, make me a strong candidate for this role.

Thank you for your understanding and consideration.

Best regards,

John Doe