Subject: Letter of recommendation for Jake Elkins.

I have known Jake for four years as my student and as an intern.

I met Jake when he enrolled in Curry College's Software Development major. He quickly stood out as capable, intelligent, and mature. Jake worked hard and never missed a class. Academically, he exceled and was always prepared for class. Jake frequently came to class with questions that could have only come from preparation. His labs were always completed on time and went beyond the minimum requirement. He obviously viewed labs as a learning tool instead of as a requirement.

Jake took his entire programming sequence from me and earned an A in every class. All of my labs and exams feature problem solving, an abstract concept which he mastered. He regularly contributed in class by asking questions, answering questions, and joining in discussions. He earned A's on exams and quizzes while always seemingly more interested in what he learned than in the grade he received.

Jake learns easily, never shying away from academic challenges. He is very curious and learned in both structured and unstructured environments, mastering theory and practice with ease. From a professor's perspective, he was a pleasure to have in a class. He regularly helped others in the class realizing that teaching is the best way to learn. He made the class more interesting and improved the results for his fellow students.

Jake exhibited strength of character and integrity in his dealing with me and with other students. I expect Jake's intelligence and desire to learn will help him be very successful in life.

Jake's work ethic and intelligence led me to offer him a position as an intern. He accepted abstract problems with defined inputs and outputs and quickly and efficiently completed solutions that met the needs of his client. His solutions were creative without adding unnecessary features or costs to the final outcome.

Jake is a contributor. Among his accomplishments was a presentation at Boston Code Camp 29 on Test Driven Development.

I enthusiastically recommend Jake for any development position. He can solve problems, communicate with clients and coworkers, and produce quality result.

Please contact me if you have any further questions. You can phone me directly in my office at 617.333.2334, contact me on my mobile 617.513.2803 or e-mail me at <rkrawitz0712@curry.edu> Best regards,

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