James Lakin – Cover Letter

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Link to my portfolio webpage:
https://jameslakin247.github.io/portfolio-page/

Introduction

I am applying for a **remote position** as a Junior Front End Developer position at Cheil Australia.

I am a self-taught web developer with a sound understanding of backend and frontend technologies required for web development and I would like to continue to develop my skills as a web developer with on-the-job experience.

HTML, CSS, and JavaScript is an aspect of web development that I have become very proficient in which would make translating UI/UX designs into code and creating quality mock-ups and prototypes in a timely manner relatively easy for me.

I also have experience using the Adobe Suite primarily Photoshop and Illustrator thanks to a digital media course I took which I would be more than happy to pick up again if required for this role.

I believe I would enjoy working in this position at Cheil because the work required is something I am very comfortable doing. I would also appreciate the ongoing training, career development and progression planning as that is something very important to me at this stage in my web development journey.

Skills

- HTML, CSS, JavaScript, React.js, Redux Toolkit, Node.js, Express.js
- Working with and building REST APIs
- Working with Git
- Creating and copying designs from Figma

Experience

I learned the basics of web development through Scrimba's frontend developer course and the rest of my learning has been done by creating small projects, following tutorials in written and video format, and reading documentation.

I can build projects from scratch or jump into an existing code base and would like to continue to develop my skills as a web developer by working on projects in a more professional setting.

Recent Project – Blog App

Link to project – The webpage will take approximately 30 seconds to load:

https://blog-frontend-4dwe.onrender.com

Link to project GitHub repository:

https://github.com/JamesLakin247/blog-app-fullstack

Functionality
- Users can create an account, login, and logout
- Once logged in, users can create and delete their own blog posts
- Users can see other peoples posts regardless of whether they are logged in or not

About
- Built with HTML, CSS, JavaScript React.js, Redux Toolkit, Node.js, Express, and MongoDB
- Users accounts and their posts are stored on MongoDB and this data can be accessed by the frontend using the REST API I have created in Node.js.
- User passwords are stored as a hashed value on the database