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SOFTWARE ENGINEERING GRADUATE

Recent software engineering graduate from WeThinkCode_ with a passion for technology and a strong track record of learning and growth. Proven ability to utilize excellent personal, communication, and organizational skills to lead, plan, and organize events, demonstrated through volunteer roles such as lead editor for GDG Soweto. A hard worker who is always willing to learn new things. Confident in being a valuable asset to any team.

SKILLS

Java	HTML/CSS	Team Leadership
Python	SQL	Communication
JavaScript	Adaptability and Learning	Analytical and Decision making
Organizational and Time Management	Content Creation and Optimization	Communication

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Google Developer Groups Soweto.   **March 2023 - Present**
Lead Editor

As the lead editor for GDG Soweto, I play a pivotal role in directing editorial operations, overseeing content creation, editing, and publication processes for our platform.

Some of my duties include:

- Organizing and promoting events, workshops, and initiatives to further engage the community and expand GDG Soweto's reach.
- Ensuring compliance with relevant guidelines, including ethical standards for journalism and GDG's policies and values.
- Fostering partnerships with local organizations, businesses, and community stakeholders to expand GDG Soweto's reach and impact.
- Contributing to the promotion and organization of community events, workshops, and initiatives aimed at supporting GDG Soweto's mission and objectives.
- Overseeing the creation and editing of content, maintaining high standards of quality, accuracy, and style.
- Establishing and maintaining relationships with local organizations, businesses, and community leaders to foster collaboration and content partnerships.
- Utilizing analytics and audience feedback to inform editorial decisions and optimize content performance.

Google Developer Groups Soweto   **October 2023 - Present**
Diversity & Inclusion Ambassador

In my voluntary role as the Diversity & Inclusion Ambassador, I play a role in :

- Actively engaging in and promoting organization events
- Dedicated to fostering a culture of diversity, inclusivity, and open participation
- Ensuring events are welcoming and accessible to all
- Collaborating with the media team to spread the word about initiatives
- Contributing to the growth and success of GDG Soweto

EDUCATION

WeThinkCode   **Sep 2022 - Feb 2024**
Systems Engineering

Tech4Dev   **Sep 2023 - Oct 2023**
Web Development

Atvance Academy   **Jun 2021 - Mar 2022**
Business Administration

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

FIRST LEGO LEAGUE   **Oct 2023 - Jan 2024**
Referee

FIRST® LEGO® League introduces science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) to children ages 4-16* through fun, exciting hands-on learning. I played a role as a referee and some of my duties included:

- Regulating the action and fairness of the Robot Game during the tournament. Dedicated to fostering a culture of diversity, inclusivity, and open participation.
- Ensured the teams have an amazing experience, regardless of how many points they score.
- Before the match, reset and inspect the field and perform the team equipment inspection.
- Perform quality assurance on all tournament Challenge Sets.

GirlCode ZA **August 2023**
Mentor

Participating as a mentor in hackathons, where I engaged with and supported participants throughout the duration of their projects, served as an immersive learning experience that cultivated a diverse array of transferable skills. The multifaceted nature of this role enabled me to develop and refine essential competencies in communication, problem-solving, and leadership, each playing a pivotal role in my growth and effectiveness within the hackathon ecosystem.

WeThinkCode **Jun 2023 - Aug 2023**
Bootcamp Volunteer

Assisted with the coordination of interviews, welcomed and greeted candidates, conducted interviews with candidates, and provided feedback to candidates and the bootcamp assistants.
Gained transferable skills in communication, teamwork, problem-solving, leadership, and organization.

WeThinkCode **Jul 2023 - Aug 2023**
Assistant Graphic Designer

I served as an assistant to a graphic designer, contributing to the creation of student cards for our campus. This experience honed my design skills and allowed me to collaborate on meaningful projects. I'm passionate about visual communication and eager to continue developing as a designer.