

To whom it may concern:

I am writing this letter to recommend wholeheartedly Max Stoyanov as a prospective employee.

Max took the lower division CS track at Chemeketa (CS161/162/260/271). I thus had the good opportunity to evaluate both his programming and problem solving skills as well as his ability to communicate. Max is strong in all of these skills

Max came into the CS courses with significant programming experience. Many students in that situation use their knoweldge as a way to pick up a few easy grades. Max however was never content to rely on existing knowledge - he eagerly sought out ways that learning a new language, C++, could extend his understanding from Java.

As we moved into topics that were completely new to him, his curiosity never abated. Every new topic we would cover in class would bring questions from Max. He would wonder about the how, or the why, or how the topic related to something else we had discussed. His questions were not motivated by trying to earn an A, but by genuine interest in how everything works. He was interested in doing well in the courses, but his primary goal was always knowledge.

Any time Max had questions, he was always able to clearly articulate them, and rapidly assimilate answers to ask follow up questions. He is able to communicate accurately about low-level details of code as well as explain things in terms of abstractions that would be understandable by a non-developer.

He took every deadline seriously and never turned in work that was not well done.

In short, Max has every quality you might want in a Jr developer. Strong programming skills, curiosity, a drive and passion about programming, and a solid work ethic.

Sincerely,



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