

Dear reader,

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I would like to ask for you to consider this cover letter somewhat more carefully than you would normally. As you can see on the attached CV I have not so many programming credentials to my name as you would normally see. Why it might still be interesting for us to get in contact is because of the following:

- Despite not having a formal CS education I might still have enough coding chops to be of help to you. I am a self-taught programmer as I am a self-taught pianist. I finished a conservatorium degree without previous piano lessons, this still amazes me really. I have been at least as thorough, and still am, in educating myself in programming. I have been programming on and off since I was 13 years old. Piano and music was just an enormous challenge when I was 19 and diverted me in some sense from the direction I always was going to go anyway. See following point:
- I went to VWO (Science preparatory school), then started a maths degree in Leiden (then philosophy, picked up piano, then history, and finally piano).
- I have a thorough knowledge of javascript, having written it for a couple of years now. See my github account.
- Since learning of lisp it's my favorite language, however web apps are written in javascript. Maybe not anymore now. I'm switching to ClojureScript.
- To prove to myself I can write javascript I wrote my own server, build and module system. It does for me what most people use Express, Grunt and Browserify for.
- I'm familiar with and/or knowledgeable of most current libs/trends/frameworks/languages.