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Dear Hiring Manager at Handshake,

I am writing with great enthusiasm for the Full-Stack Intern position at Handshake. As a CS Master's student at NYU, my journey in tech, marked by a blend of academic rigor and practical experience, aligns seamlessly with Handshake's commitment to diversity and impactful product development.

My educational background, with a B.S. in Data Science and a minor in CS, has not only grounded me in data structures, algorithms, and web technologies but has also instilled a keen interest in developing solutions that enhance user experiences. This aligns with Handshake's focus on creating engaging experiences across platforms. During my time at Kaizntree Co., as a Co-founder and CTO, I led the development of a management platform, where I prioritized user interface and experience - principles I understand are at the heart of Handshake's product development.

At eBay Inc., my role as an intern involved modernizing a web-based dashboard with ReactJS and Django, deepening my understanding of creating intuitive and efficient web applications. I believe this experience equips me to contribute to Handshake's mission of building high-value, robust features for a diverse user base.

I'm particularly drawn to Handshake because of your commitment to building a diverse and inclusive team. My work at Kaizntree has shown me the importance of different perspectives when creating technology that's accessible to everyone. I'm excited about the chance to bring my perspective to your team, especially in areas that might not stand out on my resume but are crucial for the Full-Stack Intern role.

The opportunity to work with Handshake's engineering team, particularly in scaling and refining your servicesoriented architecture, is something I'm looking forward to. While my resume highlights my technical skills, I am equally passionate about developing and learning in a dynamic environment like yours.

Thank you for considering my application. I'm keen to dive into a conversation about how my background and enthusiasm can align with and contribute to Handshake's innovative approach.

Warm regards,

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