

Why are you applying for Financial Aid?

My name is Rajath Jayashankar, and I'm a 4th year Computer Science Undergraduate student at a Government College in Kochi, India. Coming from a middle class family, my father is the only one who earns in our family. My parents are paying for my college fees and for my living costs, and they are also paying for my brothers college fees which itself is a huge financial burden on them. The only way I will be able to take up this course is through financial aid. I don't have any special source of income and I have no way of paying for these courses as of now. If I could, I would definitely pay for the courses as I understand the effort that goes into making such quality content, but unfortunately I have no means to do so. Giving me this financial aid will be a very big push for a student like me who is very passionate in learning and trying to improve my skills to achieve my goals.

How will taking this course will help you achieve your career goals?

I am a student who is trying to maximize my skills. I want to do my masters on machine learning and AI or get into a job specialising in that, and there are no courses available in my college for the same. My only source of knowledge is online material. The only way I can validate what I've learnt is to do a certification course and do projects based on that. The coursera specialization course will help me be ready and possibly get my dream job which later on may help me fund my graduate studies. I have a strong passion to keep learning and if given an opportunity to take up this course, I will definitely complete it with distinction. This certification course will help me move forward in my endeavour to maximize my learning and knowledge while I'm in college itself.